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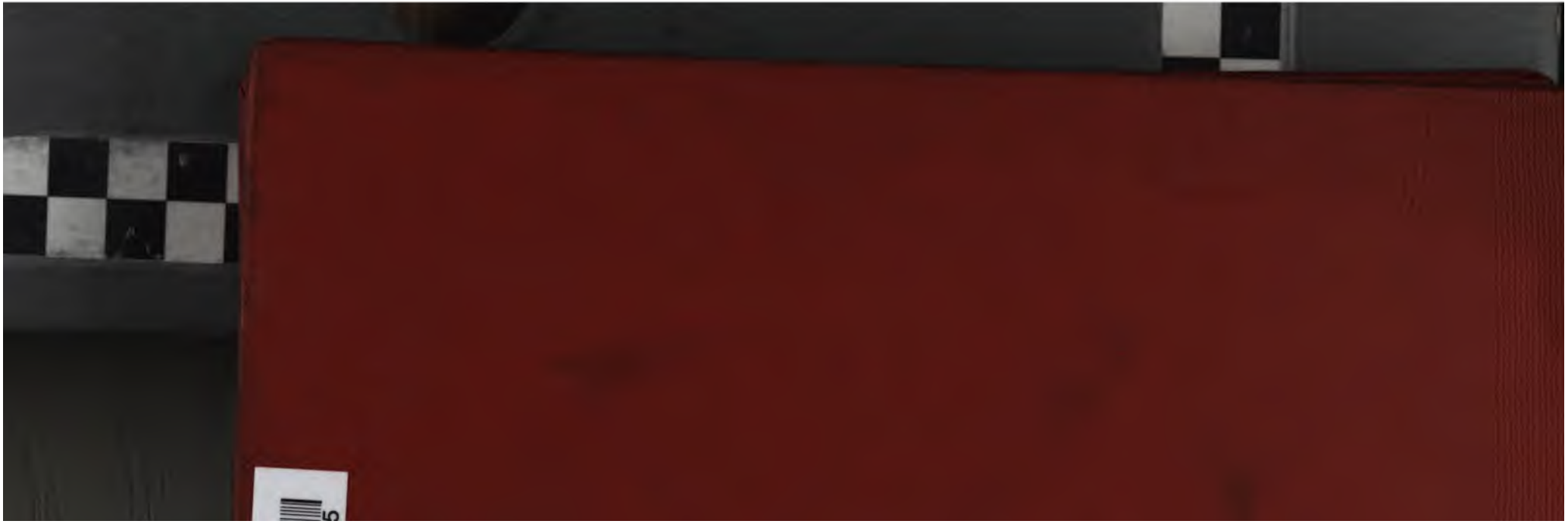

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session May 5th, 1891, at 3 P. M. in the Second Reformed Church, at Coxsackie, N. Y., and continued in session until 12:30 P. M., on Thursday, May 7th.

The Synod was called to order by the Rev. F. S. Barnum, President *pro tem.* The retiring President, the Rev. Denis Wortman, D. D., preached the Synodical sermon at the opening of the evening session of the first day. His text being Matt. 23 : 23 together with I Thess. 5 : 21.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were present :

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. Wm. J. Duiker,	
" Henry Miller,	
" John H. Scarlet.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. F. S. Barnum,	A. F. Spoor,
" J. K. Rhinehart,	A. G. Case,
" Evart VanSlyke, D.D.	J. Atwater Cook,
	J. E. Elting.

From the Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. Philip Furbeck,	Jacob Markell,
" John A. Thompson,	P. S. Wiers,
" F. V. VanVranken.	John H. Voorhees.

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. Ewd. A. Collier, D. D.,	Wm. H. Rainey,
" J. Perry Beaver,	P. G. TenEyck.
" W. H. Nasholds,	
" E. Birdsall.	

From the Classis of Rochester.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

J. H. Viele.

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. Isaac L. Kip,	J. J. Marlette,
" B. B. Staats,	G. W. Freleigh,
" Robert Doig,	Wendell Dorn.
" C. P. Ditmars.	

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr.,	P. A. Allen, M. D.
" Philip T. Phelps,	
" D. K. VanDoren,	
" John G. Smart.	

From the Classis of Ulster

Rev. B. C. Lippencott,	J. L. Hutchings,
" Denis Wortman, D. D.,	J. H. Kemble,
" A. J. Sebring,	Benj. M. Brink,
" N. F. Chapman.	Peter Snyder.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Rev. F. S. Barnum was chosen President, the Rev. F. V. VanVranken, Vice-President, and Revs. Wm. H. Nasholds and J. Perry Beaver, Temporary Clerks. The Rev. Robert Doig was appointed to act for the Stated Clerk until his arrival.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. B. B. Staats,	J. J. Marlette,
" D. K. VanDoren,	J. H. Viele.
" Wm. J. Duiker.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. John H. Scarlet,	A. F. Spoor,
" John A. Thompson,	P. S. Wiers.
" Philip T. Phelps.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. Denis Wortman, D.D.,	Jacob Markell,
" Philip Furbeck,	Wendell Dorn.
" N. F. Chapman.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. A. J. Sebring,	A. G. Case,
" E. A. Collier,	P. G. TenEyck.
" J. K. Rhinehart,	

On the Treasury.

Rev. Philip Furbeck,	J. A. Cooke,
" Philip T. Phelps,	B. M. Brink,
" E. Birdsall.	

On Nominations.

Rev. B. C. Lippencott,	J. H. Kimball,
" W. H. Nasholds,	P. A. Allen, M. D.
" John A. Thompson.	

On Necrology.

Rev. John A. DeBaun, D.D.,

On Religious Exercises.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. F. V. VanVranken,	J. L. Hutchings,
" Robert Doig,	G. W. Freleigh.
" Philip Phelps, Jr.	

On Missions.

Rev. Isaac L. Kip,	J. E. Elting,
" J. Perry Beaver,	Peter Snyder.
" J. H. Scarlet.	

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. Henry Miller,	A. G. Case.
" Robert Doig.	

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's accounts and vouchers were read and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

A communication from the Committee of Conference, on the subject of Moral Instruction in Public Schools, was read and accepted.

An appeal of G. L. VanAllen, M. D., from the decision of the Classis of Schenectady upon his appeal from the action of the Consistory of the Second Reformed Church of Schenectady, with its accompanying documents, was received, and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

The report of the Synodical Missionary Superintendent was read, and referred to the Committee on Missions.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the minutes of the General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of New York and New Brunswick, were received.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods.

New York, Rev. Edward A. Collier.

New Brunswick, Rev. A. J. Sebring.

Chicago, Rev. F. V. VanVranken.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted,

On the Treasury.

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, and found them correct.

The statement of the financial condition is appended:

PHILIP FURBECK,
Chairman.

1890. Dr.			
May 6.	Balance on hand	$ 89	51
" 10.	Cash from Classis of Schenectady	14	00
" 15.	" " " " Greene	12	00
" 15.	" " " " Albany	24	00
" 30.	" " " " Rochester	9	00
June 4.	" " " " Saratoga	14	00
Sept. 18.	" " " " Montgomery	29	00
Oct. 9.	" " " " Schoharie	8	00
1891.			
Jan. 1.	" " " " Ulster	18	00
" 3.	" " " " Rensselaer	18	00
	Total	$235	51
1890. Cr.			
May 7.	By cash to Sexton at Schenectady	$ 5	00
" 8.	" " Salary of Stated Clerk	50	00
" 8.	" " Allowance of Stated Clerk	6	00
" 27.	" " Schenectady UNION on account	25	00
June 30.	" " " " in full	50	00
	Total	$136	00
1891. May 1.	Balance to new account	$ 99	51

On Religious Exercises.

Your committee would report the following arrangements for the next Synod.

On the evening of the first day, the subject for discussion shall be "Evangelistic Work in Relation to Our Churches." The Revs. John G. VanSlyke, D. D., and E. A. McCullom, being appointed to make addresses, with the Revs. A. J. Sebring and H. D. B. Mulford as their secundi.

The evening of the second day shall be devoted to the interests of our Boards of Foreign and Domestic Missions, at which time the representatives of those Boards shall be heard.

F. V. VANVRANKEN,
Chairman.

On Missions.

Your Committee report that no communication has been received from either our Foreign or Domestic Board. The Committee can only urge upon our Churches the imperative needs of the work. The call is "go forward." Not only must the Church pray the Lord of the harvest, to send forth laborers into the ripened fields, but it must realize its responsibility and obligation to equip and send forth the laborers when they are ready to go. A clearer apprehension and appreciation of the privilege of co-operation in all the requisitions of Missionary work, is the need.

The report of our Synodical Missionary has been brought before the Committee, and we would cordially bear our testimony to the faithfulness and efficiency of the services of Brother Enders, and recommend him to the sympathy and support of the Synod.

Respectfully Submitted,

I. L. KIP,
Chairman.

Statement of J. H. Enders, Synodical Missionary Superintendent, in Charge of the Weak and Vacant Churches, and New Fields in the Particular Synod of Albany, for ten months, from July 1, 1890 to May 1, 1891.

Sermons and Addresses Delivered		136
Letters and Postals Written		707
Churches Visited		37
Classical meetings attended		7
Consistory meetings attended		21
Committee meetings attended of P. S. A		1
Bible Classes Taught		10
Fields visited		37
Collections on the Field	$119 30	
Expenses on the Field	98 17	
Cash balance on hand	$ 21 13	

On Necrology.

Your Committee on Necrology would respectfully report:

During the past year, two of the ministers within the bounds of our Particular Synod have passed away.

The Rev. John Minor died at Mohawk, N. Y., Nov. 20th, 1890, aged 76 years.

Mr. Minor was born at Lodi, Seneca Co., N. Y He was a child of the covenant, and while still of tender years devoted himself to the service of the Saviour in "the ministry of reconciliation." He graduated from Rutgers College in 1842, and from the New Brunswick Seminary in 1845, and was licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick. He married a sister of Professor Dod, of Princeton, and they began their active life in the Domestic Missionary field, at Centreville, Mich. But Mr. Minor's health failed under the malarial scourge of that then new country, and with great disappointment he was obliged to return East. He labored for a short time still as a Domestic Missionary, at Keyport, N. J., and then became pastor of the church of Leeds, N. Y. There he continued, with a good measure of success for five years. He then served the Board of Publication as Corresponding Secretary, for two years, when, in 1859, he became pastor of the Reformed Church of Flatbush, Ulster Co., N. Y. After five years service there he was called to the First church of Glenville, where he remained for nine years. His last full pastoral relation was with the Church of Port Jackson, N. Y., which he served for seven years. Since then, 1880, he served several Churches as stated supply, and at the time of his death was working in that capacity at old Fort Herkimer. So he lived and died "with the harness on," happy to serve actively and efficiently to the last. Mr. Minor was a man of noble *physique*, tall, well proportioned, with a deep, full, musical voice and a commanding presence. He had a warm, earnest heart, and a consecrated love for Christ, and for souls, and for the Church of God.

He leaves his widow and two sons both in the ministry.

The Rev. William H. Carr died on the 7th day of August, 1890, in the 79th year of his age.

He was born at Kinderhook, Columbia Co., N. Y., July 2nd, 1812, and after a preparatory course in the schools of Albany, N. Y., he took a course in theology, under the Revs. Drs. Beman and Kirk, and was licensed and ordained by the Presbytery of Albany.

His first pastorate was over the Presbyterian Church of Edinburgh, Saratoga Co., N. Y., which he served with great acceptance for three and a half years.

After closing his ministry here he acted as a supply for several vacant Churches, and afterward engaged in evangelistic work. On the breaking out of the civil war, early in the Spring of 1862,he offered his services to the Government. He was accepted and commissioned Chaplain of the 4th N. Y. H. A., and served continuously with his regiment until at the close of the war he was honorably discharged.

Owing to impaired health he was forced to retire from the active duties of the ministry for a period of three years after his return home, when he received a hearty call from the Presbyterian Church of Centerville, Greene Co , N. Y., where he remained for three years and a half. It was from this field that he came into the Reformed Church, settling at Prattsville, N. Y., where for five years he continued to labor with great zeal, and his labors were crowned with success.

Receiving a call to the Church of Sharon in the Classis of Schoharie, he accepted it and for three more years proclaimed the truth with earnestness and power. Here many both old and young were brought into the fellowship of this Church, who are still living to attest the faithfulness of this man of God in their behalf. His last change was in the Church of Gallupville, N. Y., where after a pastorate of four years, he retired from active service and took up his residence in the City of Albany, N. Y. While here he acted as a supply to many Reformed and Presbyterian Churches, and the call to rest came suddenly just after making a prayer in the rooms of the G. A. R., of which he was the honored Chaplain. After fifty-three years of married life, his wife was taken from him, and although the blow was a severe one, he still kept nerve and heart for the great work to which God had so signally called him. He was a man of good talents, and his preaching was everywhere accepted. No man loved to preach more than he, and he was especially successful in revival work and greatly aided his brethren in their efforts to promote spiritual life in their several fields of labor. He was spared to a ripe old age and only laid off the armor when the Master called to a higher reward and a more blessed service.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. DeBaun.

On Synodical Minutes.

Your Committee would respectfully report as follows :

There has been placed in our hands the Minutes of General Synod, 1890. Also, Minutes of Particular Synods of New York and New Brunswick.

The Particular Synod of Chicago, for some unknown reason, has failed to correspond with us in this way. We find in the Minutes of Particular Synods nothing calling for notice or action on the part of this Synod.

In the Minutes of General Synod, page 94, item, "The Missionary Superintendent," we would call the attention of the Churches of this Synod to the second section—relative to the support of the Missionary. Also, on page 113, item IV ; 1, we would emphasize the desirability of a uniform "fiscal year." We find, further, that this Synod has *no representative* in the Board of Domestic Missions. We therefore recommend that General Synod be asked to give us at least one representative in such Board if the plan be feasible.

Respectfully submitted.

B. B. STAATS,
Chairman.

On Overtures.

The Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business would respectfully report, that an appeal of the Elder, George L. Van Allen from the decision of the Classis of Schenectady, confirming in part an act of the Consistory of the Second Reformed Church of Schenectady, suspending him from the communion of the Church, together with documents pertaining thereto, have been placed in their hands.

Your Committee find that the formal steps required by the Constitution in cases of appeal have been observed, and therefore recommend that the appeal be taken up for consideration at such time as the Synod may appoint, and in accordance with the rules prescribed by the General Synod for conducting such cases.

We submit the following digest of papers bearing on the case in hand.

1. Minutes of Special Meeting of Consistory for the trial of Elder Van Allen. 2. Citation and charges. 3. Reply to charges. 4. Testimony at the trial. 5. Copy of action of Consistory appealed from to Classis. 6. Copy of the appeal. 7. Minutes of Special Meeting of Classis Dec. 18, 1890. 8. Journal of Minutes of Classis Feb. 10th, 1891. 9. Minutes of adjourned Meeting of Classis Feb, 17th, 1891. 10. Minutes of adjourned meeting of Classis March 3, 1891. 11. Appeal of Elder Van Allen, and the reasons for the same. Also

A (1). Resolution of Consistory on Sunday School matter. A (2). Act of Consistory requesting resignation of Elder Van Allen. A (3). Reply of Elder Van Allen. A (4). Proposed letter of resignation. B (1). Bill of Church against Elder Van Allen, B (2). Act of Consistory beginning virtual suspension against Elder Van Allen. B (3). Elder Van Allen's acceptance of proposition for conference, C (1). Act of Consistory, temporary suspension, stating time of conference. C (2). Acceptance by Dr. Van Allen of time of conference. C (3). Reply of Dr. Van Allen to charges formulated Oct. 21st. D (1). Act of Consistory continuing suspension. D (2). Appeal to Classis from said act. D (3). Report of Special Committee of Classis. Also,

Resolution of Classis found on page 109 of their Minute Book.

A. J. SEBRING,
Chairman.

In accordance with the above report the matter was taken up by the Synod after the order recommended. The President announced that the Synod was about to proceed to Judicial Business and after reminding the members to regard their character as judges in a court of Jesus Christ, led the Synod in prayer.

Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., D. D., was recognized as counsel of appellant, and Rev. C. P. Ditmars as Commissioner of Classis.

1. The sentence appealed from was read.

2. The appeal and reasons of appeal were read.

3. The documents in the case were read up to and including 11. [Minutes of adjourned meeting of Classis March 3, 1891.] At this point it was

Resolved, That the further reading of the documents in the case be suspended; and the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, From the documentary evidence it appears that Constitutional errors and irregularities have marked this case from the beginning. Therefore,

Resolved, That this case be remitted to the Consistory for re-consideration.

Resolved, That this Synod urge upon the parties the exercise of a spirit of mutual forbearance and forgiveness, and to a diligent seeking of those things which make for peace.

Counsel for the appellant then asked, what is the status of Dr. Van Allen under this act of Synod? Whereupon Synod

Resolved, That as the action in this case has been irregular from the beginning, Dr. Van Allen's position as a member of the Church in good and regular standing has not been affected thereby.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have had the books from all the Classis of the Synod in their hands. They have carefully read all the minutes and report them in order. As regards the minutes of the Classis of Schenectady, your Committee approve in part and are of the opinion that that part of their minutes found on page 125, paragraph 3, reading, "we direct that the period of the suspension of Dr. Van Allen be limited to three months from the date of the act effecting it," does not accord with constitutional requirement.

JOHN H. SCARLET,
Chairman.

On Synodical Report.

To the Particular Synod of Albany the Committee on the State of Religion would respectfully report, giving first a condensed summary of reports from the individual churches of the various classes, and then a few suggestions naturally consequent therefrom.

Classis of Albany. Many Churches report a healthy and growing interest among the young people through the Societies of Christian Endeavor, and with few exceptions they express gratitude for rich blessings, with good hope for the future. Though there have been but 72 accessions upon confession as against 114 last year, the same numerical membership has been maintained. This may be attributed to the revision of Church rolls. The contributions to Benevolent and Congregational purposes have increased $3,700. The First Church of Bethlehem had the misfortune of losing their edifice by fire, they have erected a new one. The Fourth Church of Albany are endeavoring to raise funds for a new sanctuary.

The Classis of Greene. First Athens reports all branches of Church work progressing and most encouraging. During the year two young scholars of the Sunday School organized a new one, the work leading to their conversion and that of their parents. The ladies are reducing the Church debt and augmenting Missionary gifts.

Second Athens is to be congratulated on having survived the severe shock of the past winter, although it received no accessions to membership.

Catskill continues to experience blessing from the evangelistic labors under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Chapman, a year ago, Christians more earnest, and all departments of Church work strengthened, and the young people developing into earnest Christian workers through the Y. P. S. C. E. Dr. Chapman visited them again the past Winter, with most gratifying results. A Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip is organized.

First Coxsackie has established a Y. P. S. C. E., and a Ladies' Prayer and Mission Circle. It has had a goodly accession of members, and expresses unusual gratification with the enterprise of its Sunday School.

Second Coxsackie reports a continuance of that peace, harmony, and encouraging prosperity for which it has so long felt grateful. Union revival services quickened the membership, and added several to their number. The Sunday School is doing well, and the Y. P. S. C. E. is infusing new spirit into the prayer meetings.

Kiskatom has established a new Sunday School and prayer meeting on its borders ; a general interest in the Church is increasing, and contributions to Benevolence are doubled.

Leeds has passed through a very peculiar and most trying ordeal in such manner as to evoke most hearty praise to God. Notwithstanding its severe shock, 16 were added on confession of their faith. We join in prayer with the Classis of Greene "that a devoted and Christlike pastor may soon be found to take charge of this Church."

The Classis as a whole has received a net increase of 40 to its membership, and rejoices in the spirit and character of its progress.

Classis of Montgomery. Amsterdam has received a number of young families, and 14 members on profession of the faith, the ordinances have been well attended, the Sabbath School flourishing and the hopeful feature of the Church.

Auriesville has enjoyed uninterrupted services, general harmony, a prosperous Sabbath School, and prays for power from on high.

Cicero has received 8 on confession.

Columbia reports concord and a unanimous desire to retain its pastor, but the children do not seem to take the place of their fathers in the Church, and thus the Church is enfeebled.

Cranesville. Rev. Mr. Kyle still supplies this Church, in connection with his duties at Amsterdam.

Currytown has excellent Church attendance in all weathers, many members are reading the New Testament according to a monthly announced plan, its benevolence has increased, and its Endeavor Society is of service.

Florida has had large summer congregations, ar enthusiastic Sunday School, and considerable evangelistic work in the school houses.

Fonda reports a year of outward prosperity, with its Sabbath Prayer Meeting, Sunday School and Christian Endeavor services all well attended, but laments an unusual degree of worldliness during the past winter. It has received 20 on confession.

Fort Plain has missed the services of its former pastor, Dr. James Demarest the last six months, engaging meanwhile various supplies, who have preached to good audiences ; the various Church organizations have persevered in their work ; but all ardently long for a settled pastor. They intend to settle the Rev. Mr. McCullom in June.

Fultonville has received twelve on confession ; the Sunday School and Society of Christian Endeavor prove helpful ; some new growth of the village promises enlarged growth and usefulness to the Church.

Glen found a blessing in the religious observance of the week of prayer and the two weeks succeeding. While the ladies have reduced a debt, the general financial depression has diminished benevolent offerings.

Hagaman's Mill's reports a year of only quiet, unobtrusive existence; its Sabbath School is growing, its debt has been largely reduced.

Herkimer has not yet elected a successor to the Rev. H. M. Cox; and meanwhile expresses great obligation to our Missionary Superintendent; its young people are doing good work.

Manheim strongly hopes for the speedy establishment of a regular pastorate.

Mapletown has good Church attendance, a large Sunday School enrollment, but small average attendance, little interest in benevolence; a three weeks' special service awakened but little response.

Owasco has gained somewhat; its enumeration of families and members is old and too large; but their committee on revision have not finished their report.

Owasco Outlet has received 17 on confession, 13 of om were by baptism.

St. Johnsville gives thanks for a quiet, progressive rk; growing attendance; 16 received on confession;) Sunday School and Society of Christian Endeavor lpful as usual.

Sprakers also finds the Society of Christian ideavor a useful assistant, and rejoices in spiritual owth, good attendance, financial obligations promptly t, and a benevolence greater than in previous years.

Stone Arabia reports four on confession, and conbutes to all our Boards and Funds save one.

Syracuse is all hope, attendance increased and creasing; the societies within the Church doing eir duty; the evangelistic union services under rection of Rev. B. Fay Mills were greatly blessed to is Church, which during the year has received 51 confession and 17 on certificate.

The Thousand Isles Church last year made no ferings to benevolence, but this year have done so to our Boards, save one. It has a Society of Christian ndeavor. The best work of the Church is in the Vinter.

Utica has received 12 on confession, large attendnce under Prof. Root and his assistant, Rev. Mr. 'itch, and under the latter more interest among the oung. The Sunday School and the Society of hristian Endeavor are doing admirable work.

West Leyden has liquidated a nine year old debt, nd raised a little money for repairs. Its evening serices are in English for the young.

The Classis laments a slight diminition of benevoent contributions, and accessions to membership only lightly exceeding losses; but is grateful that among ll its numerous churches there is that measure of conord and patient hope which augurs good work hereafter.

The Classis of Rensselaer. Bath. Mr. L. C. Palmer has taken charge.

Blooming Grove. Financial engagements promptly met, an old debt removed, rather small benevolent offerings, a Ladies' Missionary Auxiliary organized, the envelope system both for Church and benevolence adopted; several young men have commenced to take part in meetings, and a Society of Christian Endeavor formed.

Chatham. Vigorous Church and Sabbath School work, much good done through "*The Church Porch*," several received on confession.

First Ghent. One admitted and six departed in the faith, leaves the Church weaker, but it abides in good heart, and works on with a live Sunday School and an efficient Woman's Missionary Society.

Second Ghent. A considerable religious interest, 14 additions on confession, and all religious services well attended.

East Greenbush. Prospered in temporal matters, the sanctuary improved, the parsonage repainted, attendance unusually good, and though few conversions a healthy interest; the Ladies' Auxiliary and Society of Christian Endeavor helpful.

Kinderhook. Deaths and removals have diminished numbers and financial strength; meanwhile the Church has advanced in the grace of benevolence; like proportional beneficence in the denomination would remove all embarrassment of indebtedness and greatly enlarge the whole work of the Church. The Sunday School, admirably sustained, continues to support a catechist in India. A strong Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor beside doing excellent home work maintains a bed in Dr. Otte's hospital in China. Larger additions to membership are expected during the coming year, for which the Church asks earnest prayer.

Nassau. The Sunday School work full of encouragement, a handsome Sunday School building is to be erected this summer, the gift of Mrs. Frickenger, who has also contributed a piano. The Church will also probably be repaired. An effort is making to systematize beneficence. There have been many deaths and

ıovals; perhaps more would have been added than re were, but for the fact that so many were gathered ɔy last year's revival.

Schodack. The prevailing financial stringency of winter diminished contributions; but the Church been blessed with peace and is laboring and ying for better visible results.

Schodack Landing. Sabbath and weekly services l attended; a deeper spirituality; a revision of the ls diminishes reported membership; contributions below apportionment in consequence of absence of ny employed elsewhere; an effort making to raise neys by enlightened personal liberality without ort to popular fairs, etc.

Stuyvesant. A Society of Christian Endeavor formed, h 50 members, a Children's prayer meeting, a ssion Band of Light Beams, result in benefit to the ldren. In the Church considerable religious interest, received on confession; finances prosperous.

Classis of Rochester. Abbe. No additions, and ninished contributions, but means of grace well stained and Sunday School prosperous.

Arcadia. Large quickening and reviving, 18 added confession; the Church undergoing repairs.

Clymer Hill. Harmony unmarred, benevolence creased, desire felt for more aggressiveness.

East Williamson. A new Church edifice com- eted, costing $6,400, and all paid; dedicated Feb.), 1891. Good attendance; increase of preaching in nglish.

Buffalo, weak, but signs of returning vigor.

Farmer Village, a remarkable ingathering of 59 ɔuls; increasing efficiency of its various organizations, ırnest and hopeful.

Lodi, increased attendance, a growing spirit of ɔnsecration, especially among the youths.

Marion, pastorless, three calls declined, some con- ɔntion among two elders; hopes for a pastor ere ɔng.

Pultneyville, expects a new pastor in May, finances encouraging, Church edifice repaired, a hopeful spirit.

First Rochester, unusual vigor and prosperity; 23 added on confession; special extra work among some 80 Holland families in Brighton, where it is hoped a $2,500 Mission Church will be erected.

Second Rochester receives 21 on confession and 14 on certificate ; indebtedness reduced by $525, and $200 less asked from the Domestic Board; benevolence doubled; organized work effective.

Palmyra has repaired edifice; but suffered from depressions for two years; expresses hope of reviving and financial strengthening.

Tyre suffers some demoralization from difficulties attending the lately severed pastoral relation; but now rallying. Its services have been well attended.

In the Classis there has been an addition of 137 by confession, a net gain of 78 communicants, a net increase of $3,600 for congregational purposes, and an increased interest in Sunday School work. Classis sympathizes deeply with Brother DeBruyn, of First Rochester, in the death of his wife, a truly christian woman, widely beloved and widely useful.

The Classis of Saratoga. The year has been marked by considerable prosperity, a liquidation of indebtedness, an improvement of Church properties, and a general harmony.

Cohoes. Forty received on confession in connection with the labors of Rev. Dr. Chapman over a year ago; its membership also quickened, and Church property improved, benevolence somewhat diminished.

Fort Miller presents the unusual and delightful spectacle of a spiritual harvesting in the midst of the heat and toil of summer, as a result of which 41 souls are gathered in. Some of the most ungodly and sceptical were brought to a humble confession of the Christ; the piety of older disciples was revived, and a remarkable activity developed itself among the young people.

Gansevoort, in better condition than in years. A Woman's Auxiliary, and a Society Christian Endeavor are established and doing good work. It would seem that the large addition of 40 reported last year have added to the real vitality and strength of the Church.

Northumberland reports good general progress.

Saratoga has paid a debt incurred two years ago in extensive repairs; has given largely to the poor within and without the Church, and is gratified with its general record.

Schaghticoke mourns a lack of spiritual life among some of the older members, but takes hope from the manifest interest of the younger.

Union Village, grateful for a year of peace and prosperity, has found its Society of Christian Endeavor an especially encouraging factor; union evangelistic services, under Mr. Dean were an inspiration, a scriptural instruction,and a strength to christian people, but did not result in many conversions.

West Troy (*North*), has grown in every direction; its benevolence is increased; some young men have started a mission in a depraved part of the city with much success.

West Troy (*South*) still retains its organization.

Wynantskill, about the same as last year; its ladies interested in western missions.

TheClassis of Schenectady. First Schenectady,heavy and sad losses by death; more received than lost to the Church; spiritual condition improving. The envelope system works most admirably, enabling the Church amply to pay its way, and to exceed its apportionments for Foreign and Domestic Missions.

Second Schenectady is yet without a pastor.

Helderberg-Altamont has increased attendance, and makes special efforts through school-house services.

Niskayuna received a gain of 26 as result of several weeks' special meetings, and the Sunday School and Society of Christian Endeavor furnish hope for yet more spiritual growth and active energy.

Second Glenville reports 19 on confession, the Sunday School in operation, and the recent organization of a Society of Christian Endeavor and Woman's Auxiliary.

Princetown, 51 received on confession, a united Church, and active Sunday School.

Lisha's Kill reports its usual peace and prosperity. In the whole Classis there have been 50 more conversions than the year before, a slight diminution of beneficence and a very considerable increase of monies raised for home Churches.

Classis of Schoharie. There has been during the year a uniform prosperity, and advance in all directions.

Central Bridge has extricated itself from the embarrassment of a large debt, a triumph which has given the Church and its energetic pastor large encouragement in future labor.

Breakabeen, N. Blenheim, Sharon and Gilboa, have been blessed in an especial degree with the influences of the Holy Spirit; Breakabeen having received 28 and Sharon 10.

Specific reports have not come from other Churches.

Classis of Ulster. The Churches in the Classis report a year of steady and pleasing growth. Several have been much revived. Plattekill reporting many additions to membership from the evangelistic effort of Rev. N. F. Nickerson, and First Kingston still continuing to gather in the results of the labors of Rev. Dr. Chapman last year. Roxbury and Shokan have both settled pastors during the year. Woodstock expects soon to have installed over them the Rev. Mr. Boggis.

Your Committee in reviewing the year find large occasion for gratitude to God. Throughout the Synod at large there has been an unusual degree of harmony. A number of our smaller Churches that have been pastorless are now provided with pastors, or are in hopes of securing such shortly. There have been but few deaths in our ministry. Many Churches have been signally revived. The Churches appear to be better

organized for work. But for the stringency of the past winter, contributions would probably have been an improvement on last year.

As it is, our contributions to our Boards and Funds are $31,664.25, as against $40,656.27 last year; to other benevolent objects $8,761.19, as against $5,223.77 last year; to congregational purposes $189,450.16, as against $186,433.38 last year; a decrease in total benevolence of $4,500; an increase of $3,000 for congregational purposes. The reported offerings to our own Boards are $8,000 less than last year; those to other benevolent objects $3,500 or more. This difference is owing in part to the greater care this year to distinguish between the two, many contributions last year being carelessly reported as all for our Boards, when a part should have been credited to Other Objects. As intimated above, perhaps a sufficient explanation of the net decrease is to be found in the recent financial stringency.

We rejoice and observe that while in the general total, the increase of our membership is only 302, which is indeed a matter to be deeply grateful for; the actual net increase is 676, the smaller apparent increase of 302 being due to a revision of rolls of membership. The total accessions on confession of faith are 1,032, within 32 of the large number received last year. For this gracious token of the favor of Almighty God, we are surely bound to give thanks, take courage, and renew our zeal.

In conclusion, your Committee beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

1. That all the Churches be requested to send to Synod thoroughly prepared statistical reports and details of Church condition and work.

2. That in view of the favorable reports from our Sunday Schools and Societies of Christian Endeavor, our pastors and elders continue to give careful superintendence and encouragement to their work; and the Churches that as yet have no Societies of Endeavor, see whether one may not be profitably established, with the understanding that, as its constitution imports, it be under the oversight of the authorities of the Church.

3. That in view of the large additions made to the Churches, that have recently employed evangelists, pastors and consistories be recommended to make their work a careful study, and see whether by the judicious employment of such agencies the work of God may not be more aggressively carried on; while at the same time they are affectionately urged to the continuance of earnest individual effort.

4. That we have heard with favor of the work of the Missionary Superintendency, and commend the same to the Churches, with the hope that they will make increased contributions to the Board of Domestic Missions to defray the increased expense.

5. That our Churches study whether by use of some envelope system, offerings for the Lord's service may not be more readily and largely secured.

6. That we commend anew to our Churches all our Denominational Boards and Funds, and hope they may receive their cordial and vigorous sustainment.

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS WORTMAN,

Chairman.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Received.

Rev. George E. Macardel from the Presbytery of Syracuse, May 26, 1890.

Rev. Edward P. Johnson from the Presbytery of Chicago, Dec. 23, 1890.

Rev. William N. P. Dailey from the Presbytery of Utah, April 21, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. George E. Macardel over the Church of New Salem, June 15, 1890.

Rev. E. P. Johnson over the First Reformed Church of Albany, Jan. 29, 1891.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. W. H. Tracy and the Third Reformed Church of Albany, April 15, 1890.

Between Rev. C. W. Kinney and the Church of Westerlo, Dec. 23, 1890.

Between Rev. H. P. Craig and the Church of Coeymans, Jan. 12, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. C. W. Kinney, to Classis of Ulster, Dec. 23, 1890.

Rev. H. P. Craig to Classis of Philadelphia, Jan. 12, 1891.

Classis of Greene.

Received.

Rev. Peter K. Hageman from the Classis of Orange, Aug. 5, 1890

Rev. Barnas F. Ashley from the Cleveland Baptist Association, Aug. 5, 1890.

Installed.

Rev. Peter K. Hageman over the First Church of Coxsackie, Aug. 5. 1890.

Rev. Barnas F. Ashley over the First Church of Athens, Aug. 19, 1890.

Dismissed.

Rev. S. W. Roe, D. D., to Classis of Rochester.

Classis of Montgomery.

Received.

Rev. John I. Minor from the Presbytery of Columbia, June 2, 1890.

Rev. D. T. Harris from the Methodist Episcopal conference of New Brunswick, N. J., March 2, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. Ira Van Allen over the Church of Owasco, May 1, 1890.

Rev. Oren Root over the Church of Utica, May 14, 1890.

Rev. Fred. E. Schleider, over the Church of West Leyden, June 23, 1890.

Rev. George Z. Collier, over the Church of Thousand Isles, July 16, 1890.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. H. M. Cox and the Church of Herkimer, June 2, 1890.

Rev. James Demarest and the Church of Fort Plain, Nov. 3, 1890.

Rev. F. S. Haines, and the Church of Canajoharie, Jan. 2, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. Henry M. Cox to Classis of New York, June 2, 1890.

Rev. James Demarest to North Classis of Long Island, Nov. 3, 1890.

Rev. F. S. Haines to Presbytery of Lehigh, Jan. 2, 1891.

Died.

Rev. John Minor, Nov. 21, 1890.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Received.

Rev. George W. Furbeck from the Classis of Passaic, July 1, 1890.

Installed.

Rev. George W. Furbeck over the Church of Stuyvesant, July 1, 1890.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Received.

Rev. Sanford W. Roe, D. D., from the Classis of Greene, Oct. 8, 1890.

Installed.

Rev. Sanford W. Roe, D. D., over the Church of Tyre, N. Y., Nov. 25, 1890.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. S. Hogeboom and the Church of Marion, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1890.

Between Rev. P. Waayenberg and the Church of Pultneyville, N. Y., June 17, 1890.

Between Rev. J. I. Gulick, and the Church of Tyre, N. Y., June 17, 1890.

Dismissed.

Rev. S. Hogeboom to Classis of Holland, Oct. 8, 1890.

Rev. P. Waayenberg to Classis of Iowa, June 17, 1890.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Received.

Rev. Oliver H. Walser from the North Classis of Long Island, March 11, 1891.

Rev. Eugene C. Olney from the Hudson River Association of Congregational Churches, April 14, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. Oliver H. Walser over the Church of Cohoes, April 1, 1891.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. J. Paschal Strong and the Church of Cohoes, Sept. 9, 1890.

Rev. J. L. Southard and the Church of Buskirks, Dec. 3, 1890.

Dismissed.

Rev. J. Paschal Strong to Classis of New Brunswick, Sept. 9, 1890.

Rev. J. L. Southard to Classis of New Brunswick, Dec. 3, 1890.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Received.

Rev. Alexander Hill from the Presbytery of Troy, Dec. 18, 1890.

Installed.

Rev. Alexander Hill over the First Church of Rotterdam, Jan. 13, 1891.

Rev. B. B. Staats over the Church of Helderberg, May 14, 1890.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. N. F. Nickerson and the First Church of Glenville, Dec. 18, 1890.

Rev. H. C. Hinds and the Second Church of Schenectady, Feb. 10, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. H. C. Hinds to the Presbytery of Troy, Feb. 10, 1891.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Received.

Rev. Charles W. Pitcher from the Presbytery of New Brunswick, Dec. 18, 1890.

Installed.

Rev. Charles W. Pitcher over the Church of Middleburgh, Dec. 18, 1890.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. D. K. Van Doren and the Church of Middleburgh, Aug. 29, 1890.

Died. Rev. Wm. H. Carr, Sept. 1890.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Received.

Rev. N. H. Demarest from the Classis of New York, Jan. 20, 1891.

Rev. Charles W. Kinney from the Classis of Albany, Feb. 23, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. N. H. Demarest over the Church of Roxbury, Jan. 20, 1891.

Rev. Charles W. Kinney over the Churches of Shokan and Shandaken, March 25. 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. I. P. Emerick to Presbytery of Binghamton, Aug. 13, 1890.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	*397	6	15	28	..	25	660	6	3	....	....	1	346	$4,136 00	$981 00	$8,369 00	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Geo. T. Dowling	320	22	35	11	..	5	518	2	9	....	....	2	548	6,381 40	1,504 17	12,697 64	Albany, N. Y.
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	150	....	....	8	..	1	154	1	....	....	....	1	170	145 30	.....	1,582 92	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	73	13	....	1	..	8	154	11	1	19	37	1	140	71 02	5 00	827 51	Albany, N. Y.
Holland Albany	William J. Duiker	75	1	1	4	..	2	153	13	....	....	50	1	140	98 00	40 00	1,178 57	Albany, N. Y.
First Bethlehem	Lawrence Dykstra	157	6	....	1	..	1	210	5	3	....	100	5	375	92 10	83 50	+11,563 00	Albany, N. Y.
Second Bethlehem	J. Lansing Pearse, S.C.	100	3	4	4	..	3	255	4	....	....	150	1	200	220 00	.....	1,200 00	Delmar, N. Y.
Second Berne	A. Parsons	37	0	1	3	..	2	70	1	....	....	14	1	85	12 50	15 50	282 00	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	Andrew Parsons	25	1	1	2	..	1	60	1	....	....	20	1	80	38 50	11 00	424 00	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	Walter S. Brown, S.S.	56	1	1	3	..	....	79	1	....	....	10	1	124	31 00	6 60	412 50	Clarksville, N. Y.
Coeymans	Vacant	100	7	6	3	..	2	192	4	....	....	114	1	114	350 15	.....	1,028 17	Coeymans, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Walter S. Brown, S.S.	45	3	1	0	..	3	58	4	3	26	12	1	57	4 50	6 36	405 50	Clarksville, N. Y.
Jerusalam	John H. Scarlet	83	2	4	0	..	....	180	2	1	....	....	1	100	38 36	26 00	1,077 38	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem	Geo. E. Macardel	101	1	3	6	..	2	168	....	2	47	163	1	198	16 00	5 00	947 00	New Salem, N. Y.
Union	John H. Scarlet, S. S.	48	1	....	4	..	....	52	1	....	....	....	1	60	15 85	.....	612 00	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	100	4	3	4	..	2	175	2	1	....	....	1	120	233 60	15 76	1,464 56	New Baltimore, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant	40	1	....	3	..	1	70	....	1	....	....	1	.....	.....	24 35	542 00	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total	.....	1907	72	75	85	..	58	3108	58	24	92	670	22	2857	$11,874 28	$2,724 24	$44,613 75	

Other Ministers.—Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore, N. Y.; Rev. A. Dickson, Lansingburgh, N. Y.; Rev. J. H. Enders, Synodical Supt. P. S. A., Fort Hunter, N.Y.; Rev. H. Slauson Whitehall, N. Y.; Rev. W. H. Tracy, Albany, N. Y.

*Partially revised.

†Church built, including insurance.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Athens	Barnas F. Ashley	110	4	5	1	1	6	212	2	1	....	....	2	260	$315 45	14 70	$1,840 37	Athens, N. Y.
Second Athens	Vacant	20	....	....	3	..	....	32	....	....	....	40	1	48	20 90	.....	94 00	
First Catskill	Evert Van Slyke	191	38	7	4	..	4	612	3	19	261	175	3	300	1,066 33	237 59	3,295 61	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	P. K. Hageman	100	12	9	4	..	6	*187	3	10	45	100	3	240	208 73	.....	1,631 20	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	145	12	....	5	..	3	285	5	9	50	....	2	243	805 40	28 57	3,334 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	J. K. Rhinehart	85	22	....	3	..	2	233	8	1	65	85	3	145	144 63	3 00	989 49	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	Vacant	70	16	....	2	..	1	93	2	7	....	....	1	80	.....	.....	620 00	Leeds, N. Y.
Total	.....	721	84	21	22	1	22	1644	23	47	421	400	15	1316	$2,561 44	$283 86	$11,804 67	

Other Ministers.—Rev. B. Van Zandt, D.D., Catskill, N. Y.
Students.—Edward O. Chickering, Henry C. Cusler.

*Revised.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam	Joshua R. Kyle	98	14	4	6	..	3	178	4	4	128	75	1	214	$240 00	$69 00	$1,662	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. C. Boyd, S. S.	44	6	....	....	..	2	66	1	1	1	75	1	75	25 00	12 00	.....	Fonda, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Vacant	+170	....	....	....	..	....	+301	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Canastota	Vacant	.....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Chittenango	Vacant	.....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Cicero	Vacant	30	8	....	....	..	1	25	....	....	....	....	1	100	.....	.....	.....	
Columbia	James M. Compton	37	....	....	1	..	2	51	1	....	6	....	2	74	10 00	.....	439 00	Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville	Joshua R. Kyle, S. S.	29	....	....	1	..	2	23	....	....	20	....	1	45	3 00	.....	250 00	
Currytown	Henry H. Sangree	29	2	4	2	..	....	71	....	2	....	43	1	50	183 00	51 00	783 00	Currytown, N. Y.
Ephratah	Vacant	70	....	....	....	..	....	130	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	5	1	3	..	1	105	4	1	....	....	1	155	74 00	16 00	1,000 00	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	John A. DeBaun	214	20	5	13	1	6	435	6	10	....	100	3	300	585 00	208 00	2,176 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Albert D. Minor	+13	....	....	....	..	....	+15	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Fort Plain	Vacant	142	2	5	8	..	3	227	8	1	....	60	1	182	64 00	12 00	3,300 00	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	F. V. VanVranken, S. C.	120	12	7	3	..	3	154	1	6	....	100	1	216	377 00	33 00	1,706 00	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	Joseph B. Thyne, S. S.	60	3	....	3	4	3	83	1	3	....	....	2	175	93 00	57 00	1,000 00	Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman's Mills	Maurice G. Hansen	81	6	3	6	..	4	153	2	2	....	125	1	172	51 00	5 00	1,479 00	Hagaman's Mills, N. Y.
Henderson	Vacant	.....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Herkimer	Vacant	125	3	....	2	..	2	212	3	3	100	167	2	190	173 00	42 00	967 00	Herkimer, N. Y.
Manheim	D. T. Harris, P. E.	17	3	1	....	..	1	28	2	....	....	....	2	40	.....	.....	150 00	East Creek, N. Y.
Mapletown	Henry H. Sangree	20	....	2	1	..	1	29	1	....	....	12	1	74	15 00	.....	286 00	Currytown, N. Y.

+Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY, (CONTINUED).

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Bap. tized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Mohawk	Albert D. Minor	†79	....	....	....	..	....	†115	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	Mohawk, N. Y.
Naumberg	Vacant	†12	....	....	....	..	....	†32	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$37 00	
New Bremen	Vacant	†7	....	....	....	..	....	†17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
Owasco	Ira Van Allen	85	4	1	....	..	1	114	1	3	....	....	2	124	$40 00	$108 00	945 00	Owasco, N. Y.
Owasco Outlet	Vacant	25	17	3	....	..	2	50	....	13	....	....	1	....	3 00	30 00	457 00	
Point Rock	Fred. E. Schlieder, S.S.	14	....	....	....	..	....	23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	Point Rock, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	Philip Furbeck	115	16	2	5	..	4	216	18	6	....	....	2	170	66 00	100 00	1,292 00	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thomson	*60	6	2	3	..	3	*90	....	2	....	25	1	65	90 00	3 00	601 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	John A. Thomson	40	4	....	....	..	1	63	....	2	....	20	1	40	28 00	.....	355 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Syracuse	H. DuBois Mulford	187	51	17	8	1	2	322	12	24	....	310	1	351	1,484 00	684 00	6,169 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Isles	George Z. Collier	100	6	2	2	..	4	96	3	6	....	100	1	135	239 00	134 00	968 00	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Oren Root	†51	12	3	....	..	....	†106	....	....	....	....	1	100	....	....	....	Utica, N. Y.
West Leyden	Fred. E. Schlieder	26	5	7	....	..	....	48	7	....	....	3	1	40	22 00	8 00	503 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
Total		2170	205	69	67	6	51	3578	75	89	255	1215	31	3087	$3,865 00	$1,572 00	$26,525 00	

Other Ministers.—Rev. Joseph Knieskern, Cortland, N. Y.; Rev. R. R. Williams, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. Daniel Lord, Jordanville, N. Y.; Rev. C. P. Evans, Albany, N. Y.; Rev. Guido F. Verbeck, Tokio, Japan. †Last year's report. *Revised.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	Vacant	†35	...	...	...	...	...	†14	...	...	...	...	†1	†52	.....	.....	...	Bath-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Blooming Grove	Minor Swick, S. S.	65	1	2	4	..	5	79	2	...	...	10	1	100	$94	.....	$1,036	Defreestville, N. Y.
Emmanuel, Castleton	Vacant	104	2	2	4	..	5	200	...	...	...	...	1	150	66	.....	1,900	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Theo. S. Brown, S. S.	110	9	4	3	..	4	210	4	8	...	...	1	195	580	$100	1,000	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	DeWitt B. Wyckoff	80	1	6	3	..	6	125	1	..	50	40	2	140	242	16	1,076	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Isaac S. Schenck	70	14	3	3	.	1	167	2	4	...	...	1	†100	37	12	1,040	Stockport, N. Y.
Greenbush	J. Laubenheimer	118	1	12	6	..	4	222	1	...	...	...	1	100	142	10	1,913	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier, S.C	145	4	3	6	..	9	299	3	2	140	60	1	166	1,761	87	2,456	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	110	...	8	1	1	7	†224	2	...	...	...	1	150	203	19	1,265	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Theo. S. Brown, S. S.	25	6	...	..	..	1	46	2	4	...	...	1	30	7	.....	220	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	E. Birdsall	80	2	...	4	..	2	143	...	...	...	...	2	170	251	.....	1,039	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	W. H. Nasholds	98	2	1	4	..	3	*142	...	...	...	...	1	140	82	50	1,352	Schodack Landing, N.Y.
Stuyvesant	Geo. W. Furbeck	63	12	5	2	..	3	106	5	3	...	80	1	80	195	13	1,260	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	Vacant	33	3	1	4	...	...	59	3	1	..	..	1	45	.....	.....	496	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
Total	.....	1036	57	47	44	1	50	2036	25	22	190	190	16	1618	$3,666	$308	$16,653	

Other Ministers.—Rev. Elbert Nevius, retired, Stuyvesant, N. Y.; Rev. John B. Drury, Editor of the *Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J.

†Last year's report. *Revised list.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Postoffice Address.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe Church	John Hoffman	85	..	..	..	..	3	182	11	..	..	60	1	122	$74 97	$46 03	$738 32	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	M. Van Doorn	39	18	6	..	..	2	103	11	2	..	..	1	77	31 15	5 15	376 00	Newark, N. Y.
Clymer	P. G. M. Bahler	89	..	..	2	..	..	186	6	..	208	53	1	104	98 14	54 63	892 94	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	G. H. Höspers	120	2	8	11	..	5	*245	11	..	275	20	1	120	188 11	32 40	+7,394 04	East Williamson, N. Y.
Ev. Prot. Christ Ch.	John Boehrer	24	6	..	..	..	..	43	3	..	40	4	1	43	7 63	.. ..	399 34	47 Barthel St., Buffalo.
Farmer Village	F. W. Palmer	140	59	5	6	..	5	233	1	37	..	..	1	192	133 56	231 48	1,891 75	Farmer Village, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	2	3	..	..	6	183	4	1	..	..	1	159	173 45	40 62	1,238 63	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	Vacant	*130	1	7	4	..	3	284	8	..	..	..	1	165	32 71	15 00	595 91	Marion, N. Y.
Palmyra	W. G. Baas	49	4	10	10	..	1	113	12	..	..	..	1	90	24 04	.. ..	507 18	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	J. Van Westenburg, P E	76	..	1	6	..	1	144	10	..	115	20	1	93	61 15	31 47	861 50	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	P. DeBruyn	*220	23	4	3	1	6	415	22	1	..	110	1	270	402 37	743 10	2,338 36	49 Concord Ave., Roch.
Second Rochester	Ame Vennema, S. C.	74	21	14	6	..	2	176	9	5	113	..	1	240	249 43	112 00	2,966 59	171 Weld St., Rochester.
Tyre	Sanford W. Roe	38	1	2	1	..	..	72	..	..	..	..	1	83	79 46	2 50	380 00	Malcolm, N. Y.
Total		1184	137	60	49	1	34	2379	108	46	751	267	13	1758	$1,556 17	$1,314 38	$20,580 56	

Other Ministers.—Rev. A. M. Mann, Farmer Village, N. Y.; Rev. G. J. Renskers, Emeritus, Clymer, N. Y.; Rev. A. B. Van Huizen, Pultneyville, N. Y.; Rev. W. Ballagh, Lyons, N. Y.; Rev. Chester P. Murray, Union Springs, N. Y. *Revised list. †Includes cost of new Church edifice, $6,400.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Bap. tized.		C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Postoffice Address.
														Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	George I. Taylor	40	3	....	1	..	....	91	....	2	....	....	1	58	$10 00	.....	.....	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Isaac G. Ogden, P. E.	40	5	....	3	..	....	65	....	....	....	....	1	92	160 00	.....	$330 00	Buskirk's Bridge, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser	260	40	6	3	..	4	443	3	7	....	....	1	309	192 68	$285 94	4,978 32	Cohoes, N. Y.
Fort Miller	E. A. McCullum, S. S.	52	41	1	....	..	....	105	1	30	....	....	1	70	41 00	93 42	426 33	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Mark A. Denman, S. S.	70	2	2	....	..	1	126	....	2	....	....	1	130	10 00	15 00	612 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Northumberland	Mark A. Denman	72	....	1	2	..	1	153	....	....	....	....	1	75	75 00	82 00	1,400 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	E. A. McCullum	155	4	1	1	..	2	329	9	2	....	....	1	212	288 72	259 20	2,707 22	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	M. R. Gordon	42	3	1	2	1	1	77	1	2	....	....	1	124	16 50	.....	1,183 83	Reynolds, N. Y.
Union Village	F. C. Scoville	80	6	4	1	..	1	175	2	2	....	....	1	111	233 98	11 00	2,100 00	Greenwich, N. Y.
West Troy (North)	H. Evertson Cobb, S. C.	175	11	14	1	..	6	259	5	2	....	30	2	220	512 47	188 07	3,885 50	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy (South)	Vacant	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 66	.....	.....	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	Eugene C. Olney, S. S.	60	2	1	1	..	....	97	....	....	....	....	1	75	95 00	.....	1,643 57	Wynantskill, N. Y.
Total	.....	1084	117	31	27	1	17	2056	21	49	....	30	12	1476	$1,706 01	$934 63	$19,266 77	

Other Ministers.—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Middle Falls, Washington Co., N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.
Candidates—William Armitage Beardslee, New Brunswick, N. J.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
First Schenectady	Albert C. Sewall	313	8	18	9	..	25	457	12	4	....	....	3	688	$990 00	$194 62	$7,042 42	Schenectady, N. Y.
Second Schenectady	Vacant	191	4	13	14	1	9	251	11	1	....	....	1	280	284 93	28 62	3,116 38	Schenectady, N. Y.
First Glenville	Vacant	130	2	....	3	..	7	264	1	....	....	100	2	177	169 00	20 00	1,157 00	Glenville, N. Y.
Second Glenville	Robert Dolg	80	19	1	....	..	4	160	2	13	....	80	3	200	100 00	225 00	1,692 48	Scotia, N. Y.
First Rotterdam	Alexander Hill	180	6	1	....	..	1	85	4	....	....	....	2	150	50 00	.....	1,100 00	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Second Rotterdam	Vacant	62	3	....	5	..	1	77	1	....	....	29	1	143	164 04	54 52	1,046 79	Schenectady, N. Y.
Helderberg-Altamont	Bergen B. Staats	180	9	15	14	..	7	383	13	4	185	194	3	298	180 75	33 05	1,572 84	Guilderland Centre, NY.
Niskayuua	C. P. Ditmars, S. C	118	21	5	11	..	6	241	6	3	107	150	2	240	466 00	14 00	1,300 00	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Lisha's Kill	Isaac L. Kip	66	6	....	1	..	1	121	1	....	....	....	2	135	70 00	.....	1,075 42	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	65	....	2	1	1	1	145	3	....	12	125	1	144	59 85	.....	1,185 00	Vischer's Ferry, N. Y.
Princetown	Peter A. Wessels	100	51	4	4	..	1	272	7	17	51	120	1	159	59 90	163 18	1,585 42	Giffords, N. Y.
Total		1485	129	59	62	2	63	2456	61	42	355	798	21	2614	$2,594 47	$732 99	$21,873 75	

Other Ministers.—Rev. D. B. Hall, Duanesburgh, N. Y.; Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y.; Rev. Wm. P. Davis. Schenectady, N. Y.; Rev. Lauren Vanderveer, Schenectady, N. Y.; Rev. N. F. Nickerson, West Troy, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Bap. tized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Postoffice Address.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	Wm. A. Wurts, P. E.	45	1	....	2	..	2	74	....	1	24	....	1	58	$13 10	.....	$341 62	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	Wm. A. Wurts, P. E.	58	....	....	1	..	3	78	....	....	24	25	1	58	98 11	.....	461 88	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	Philip Phelps, Jr	41	28	2	....	..	2	70	2	17	....	....	1	112	38 00	.....	420 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Central Bridge	T. A. Beekman	37	3	8	3	..	....	29	3	1	6	21	1	68	17 50	$4 00	656 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	E. J. Blekkink	45	6	2	....	..	....	46	3	5	..	....	1	70	18 33	.....	600 21	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Philip Phelps, Jr., S.S.	10	....	....	....	..	....	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Gallupville	Vacant	40	....	....	4	..	....	62	....	....	12	....	1	88	.....	.....	.....	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	Vacant	61	....	....	....	..	....	120	....	....	....	....	1	102	.....	.....	.....	Gilboa, N. Y.
Howe's Cave	T. A. Beekman	63	....	3	2	..	4	51	....	....	7	....	1	110	44 00	13 00	534 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	E. J. Blekkink	47	7	....	1	..	1	75	1	6	....	20	2	160	99 38	.....	803 61	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Chas. W. Pitcher	92	5	2	5	..	4	150	1	....	....	....	1	125	128 00	63 54	1,306 00	Middleburgh, N. Y.
Moresville	Vacant	12	....	....	....	..	....	21	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Grand Gorge, N. Y.
North Blenheim	Philip Phelps, Jr	40	6	....	....	..	....	56	....	2	....	....	1	52	27 00	.....	280 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	F. W. Ruhl	42	2	....	....	..	3	58	....	....	....	....	1	30	3 32	.....	898 38	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	John G. Smart	72	3	2	3	..	1	141	1	2	....	....	1	94	210 21	111 89	1,286 89	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Philip T. Phelps	61	10	....	2	..	3	*116	....	8	....	....	1	102	47 21	13 00	572 83	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	Vacant	22	3	....	....	..	....	48	3	2	8	....	1	40	.....	.....	.....	South Gilboa, N. Y.
Total		788	74	19	23	..	23	1206	14	44	81	66	16	1269	$744 16	$205 43	$8,161 42	

Other Ministers—Rev. Edward Miller, Lawyersville, N. Y.; Rev. Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; Rev. John S. Lott, 54 South Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. John G. Fagg, Amoy, China; Rev. D. K. VanDoren, Mechanicville, N. Y. *Revised list of Members.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		C. C. & S. S.				Contributions.			POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	Peter Q. Wilson, S. S.	120	4	....	....	..	1	220	12	....	12	50	2	150	$36 00	.....	$920 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Caatsban	Arad J. Sebring	100	17	5	....	..	5	173	1	3	102	97	1	110	518 10	$336 66	1,269 80	Saugerties, N. Y.
Esopus	J. Howard VanDoren.	95	1	2	....	7	....	178	11	....	48	....	2	210	177 53	50 00	823 48	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWitt	94	12	....	....	..	6	167	12	1	75	54	4	320	138 61	.....	1,141 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Kingston	John G. Van Slyke	265	33	10	5	1	15	592	10	12	....	....	1	300	1,200 00	.....	5,000 00	Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen	B. C. Lippencott, S.C.	100	2	1	....	1	5	232	7	1	....	....	1	225	124 87	24 00	1,302 14	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	Solomon T. Cole	126	66	2	1	..	9	254	19	9	....	....	3	200	46 08	.....	939 39	Cockburn, N. Y.
Roxbury	Nathan H. Demarest.	52	3	3	2	..	....	76	....	2	....	....	1	102	47 73	.....	1,107 08	Roxbury, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	220	7	7	5	..	5	341	2	1	60	....	1	250	724 36	275 00	3,500 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	Charles W. Kinney	*33	....	....	3	..	....	23	1	....	....	38	1	38	.....	.....	174 50	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	Charles W. Kinney	*89	....	....	2	..	2	115	....	....	....	....	1	90	32 00	.....	478 26	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	Rufus M. Stanbrough.	8	....	....	....	..	....	15	....	....	....	....	1	63	.....	.....	80 49	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	Rufus M. Stanbrough.	63	....	1	2	..	1	104	5	....	....	....	1	113	7 25	.....	718 07	West Hurley, N. Y.
Woodstock	+Henry Boggis, P. E.	65	10	2	1	..	....	124	1	3	....	....	1	110	.....	.....	736 94	Woodstock, N. Y.
Wiltwyck	Wm. A. Shaw, S. S.	43	1	7	....	..	....	80	....	4	27	8	1	200	110 00	.....	550 00	Kingston, N. Y.
Total		1343	166	35	21	9	47	2556	81	36	324	209	22	2481	$3,162 72	$685 66	$15,771 24	

Other Ministers—Rev. Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; Rev. Calvin Case, Brodhead, N. Y.; Rev. Nathan F. Chapman, Saugerties, N. Y.; Rev. A. J. Beekman, Allentown, N. J. +Pastor elect. *Revised list.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Classes.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.			C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Stated Clerks.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	17	17	....	1907	72	75	85	..	58	3208	58	24	92	670	22	2857	$11,874 28	$2,724 24	$44,613 75	J. Lansing Pearse.
Greene	7	6	2	721	84	21	32	1	22	1644	23	47	42	400	15	1316	2,561 44	283 86	11,804 67	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	34	23	....	2170	205	69	67	6	51	3578	75	89	255	1215	31	3087	3,865 00	1,572 00	26,525 00	F. V. Van Vranken.
Rensselaer	14	12	....	1036	57	47	44	1	50	2036	25	22	190	190	16	1618	3,666 00	308 00	16,653 00	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	13	17	....	1184	137	60	49	1	34	2379	108	46	751	267	13	1758	1,556 17	1,314 38	20,580 56	Ame Vennema.
Saratoga	12	11	1	1084	117	31	37	1	17	2056	21	49	....	30	12	1476	1,706 01	934 63	19,266 77	Henry Evertson Cobb.
Schenectady	12	13	....	1485	129	59	62	2	63	2456	61	42	355	798	21	2614	2,594 47	732 99	21,873 75	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	12	....	788	74	19	23	..	23	1206	14	44	81	66	16	1269	744 16	205 43	8,161 42	D. K. Van Doren.
Ulster	15	17	....	1343	166	35	21	9	47	2556	81	36	324	209	22	2481	3,162 72	685 66	15,771 24	B. C. Lippincott.
Total	141	128	3	11,715	1041	416	400	21	365	21,119	466	399	2090	3815	168	18,576	$31,730 25	$8,761 19	$191,350 16	

ARTICLE IX.

Benevolent Institutions.

The Rev. A. S. Van Dyck, of China, as representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Rev. Evart Van Slyke, D. D., as representative of the Board of Domestic Missions were heard on the evening of the second day.

ARTICLE X.

Delegates to Synod.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classis.

Classis of Albany.

PRIMARII.	SECUNDI.
Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. J. Lansing Pearse,	Rev. John H. Scarlet,
" Andrew Parsons,	" A. M. Arcularius,
" Walter S. Brown.	" George E. Macardel.
Elders.	*Elders.*
N. J. Winne,	Benjamin F. Van Attan,
John V. D. H. Bradt,	Stephen T. Whitbeck,
Wm. Creble.	James Schoonmaker.

Classis of Greene.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. Evert VanSlyke, D.D.,	Rev. F. S. Barnum,
" P. K. Hageman,	" J. K. Rhinehart,
" B. F. Ashley.	" B. Van Zandt, D. D.
Elders.	*Elders.*
A. G. Case,	J. Atwater Cook,
R. V. Whitbeck,	W. L, King,
J. H. Snyder.	Wm. Sager.

Classis of Montgomery.

Ministers.	*Ministers,*
Rev. George Z. Collier,	Rev. Joshua R. Kyle,
" Oren Root,	" J. M. Compton,
" Fred. E. Schleider,	" H. H. Sangree,
" John A. DeBaun,	" Philip Furbeck,
" Ira VanAllen,	" R. A. Pearse,
" H. D. B. Mulford.	" F. V. Van Vranken.

Elders.	*Elders.*
J. D. Cole,	J. J. Johnson,
Eugene DuBois,	John A. Miller,
Henry Ernst,	Jacob Dievendorf,
Richard Schuyler,	J. H. Faulknor,
Adam Smith,	John Marsellus,
John H. Voorhees.	L. L. Dean.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. J. Laubenheimer,	Rev. W. H. Nasholds,
" J. B. Drury,	" J. Perry Beaver,
" E. Birdsall.	" E. Nevius.
Elders.	*Elders.*
P. G. Ten Eyck,	R Van Buren,
Henry Van De Carr,	J. T. Ham,
A. H. Parks.	J. P. Van Buren.

Classis of Rochester.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. J. Hoffman,	Rev. G. H. Hospers,
" M. Van Doorn,	" J. Boehrer,
" P. G. M. Bahler.	" F. W. Palmer.
Elders.	*Elders.*
J. De Neve,	J. De Blauwe,
J. Van Holde,	J. Van Doorn,
C. Van Hee.	W. Schoonmaker.

Classis of Saratoga.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. Henry E. Cobb,	Rev. E. McCullom,
" George I. Taylor,	" M. A. Denman,
" M. R. Gordon.	" F. C. Scoville.
Elders.	*Elders.*
A. T. VanVranken, M. D.,	J. H. Harmon.
Edward Whiteside,	James Deyo,
A. B. Myers.	Wm. McBride.

Classis of Schenectady.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. James E. Graham,	Rev. N. F. Nickerson,
" Peter A. Wessels,	" B. B. Staats,
" Albert C. Sewall.	" C. P. Ditmars.

Elders.	*Elders.*
C. E. Kingsbury,	S. J. Schermerhorn,
Wm. H. Van Vranken,	Anthony Stalker,
J. S. Lansing.	E. S. Groot.

Classis of Schoharie.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr.,	Rev. E. Miller,
" W. A. Wurts,	" T. A. Beekman,
" E. J. Blekkink,	" Philip T. Phelps.
Elders.	*Elders.*
P. S. Danforth,	W. E. Bassler,
James L. Luckey,	A. J. Mereness,
C. M. Throope.	S. K. Campbell.

Classis of Ulster.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. R. DeWttt,	Rev. Calvin Case.
" W. A. Shaw,	" J. G. Van Slyke,
" C. Van Santvoord.	" N. F. Chapman.
Elders.	*Elders.*
Jacob Snyder,	A. D. Rose,
J. P. Osterhoudt,	Alonzo Mull,
Benj. M. Brink.	John H. Kemble.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: From 9 to 12 A. M.; from 2:30 to 5:30 P. M.; from 7:30 P. M., until such time as Synod may adjourn.

The following appointments were made for the communion which was administered on the afternoon of the second day.

The President of Synod to preside and read the form; the Rev. Bergen B. Staats to offer prayer; the Rev. E. A. Collier to distribute the bread; the Rev. D. K. Van Doren to distribute the wine. Assisting Elders: B. M. Brink, Wm. H. Rainey, Wendell Dorn and J. J Marlette.

On the evening of the first day an address was delivered by the Rev. George T. Dowling, D. D., subject, "The Latent energy of the Church."

The half hour of devotional exercises were under the direction, on the first day of the Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., on the second day, of the Rev. Isaac L. Kip, on the third day of the Rev. Wm. H. Nasholds.

Resolved, That the Committee of Conference in regard to the subject of "Moral Instruction in the Public Schools," be continued another year.

The Rev. D. K. Van Doren, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society for the State of New York, presented the work of that Society before the Synod.

Resolved, That we have heard with much pleasure the report from Rev. Mr. Van Doren concerning the American Bible Society; that we cordially commend to the Synod the work of this Society, and especially urge a greater and deeper interest in the various county auxiliaries within our bounds.

Resolved, That the Particular Synod of Albany memorialize the General Synod in regard to the insufficiency of Synod's entertainment fund; requesting the General Synod to direct the increase of the apportionment upon the Classis to three (3) cents per communicant member of the Churches,and that the sum of one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) per day be allowed to the delegate entitled to entertainment from the fund during his presence at Synod.

Resolved, That the Rev. A. S. VanDyck be invited to the privileges of the floor as a corresponding member.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be instructed to have 425 copies of the minutes printed and distributed in the usual manner.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be cordially tendered to the pastor and people of the Second Reformed Church of Coxsackie, also to all friends who have shared in the entertainment of our body.

Resolved, That we hold our next stated session in the Reformed Church of Saratoga, at Schuylerville.

Resolved, That in case it should not be convenient for the Church at Schuylerville to receive the Synod, the Stated Clerk be empowered to call the next meeting at Schoharie.

ARTICLE XII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSED.

The minutes were read and approved.

The roll was called and all absentees excused.

ARTICLE XIII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the Reformed Church of Saratoga at Schuylerville, on the first Tuesday in May, 1892, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with singing, and with prayer by the President.

F. S. BARNUM, *President*,
F. V. VAN VRANKEN, *Vice President.*

WM. H. NASHOLDS,
J. PERRY BEAVER, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the Minutes.

C. P. DITMARS,
Stated Clerk.

ESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1864–1891.

54. Rev. J. B. TenEyck, Schodack Landing.
55. " J. A. Lansing, D. D., Fonda.
56. " Chas. Scott, D. D. 1st Kingston.
57. " John L. Mc Nair, 2nd Albany.
58. " Philip Peltz, D. D., Saugerties.
59. " B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
70. " John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North).
71. " S. J. Rodgers, Kinderhook.
72. " R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
73. " J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
74. " Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
75. " Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
76. " J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy (South.)
77. " Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
78. " J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
79. " Edw. A. Collier, D. D., Chatham Village.
80. " George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
81. " John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
82. " Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
83. " Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
84. " Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
85. " Andrew J. Hageman, Fort Plain.
86. " James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
87. " Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
88. " John G. Smart, Greenwich.
89. " Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
90. " Denis Wortman, D. D., 2nd Schenectady.
91. " F. S. Barnum, Coxsackie.

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session May 3d, 1882, at 7 P. M. in the Reformed Church, at Schoharie, N. Y., and continued in session until 9:30 P. M on. Wednesday, May 4th.

The Synod was called to order and opened with prayer by the retiring President, the Rev. F. S. Barnum, who preached the Synodical sermon, taking as his text Isa. 2: 2 and 3.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were present :

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. W. N. P. Dailey,	M. L. M. Phelps,
" Geo. E. Macardel	George W. Yerks,
	D. N. Winne.

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. P. K. Hageman,	P. S. Van Schaack,
" F. S. Barnum,	S. H. Van Dyck,
" E. Van Slyke, D. D.,	Thomas Bell.

From the Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. H. D. B. Mulford,	M. M. Bagg, M. D.,
" Philip Furbeck,	Cornelius J. Hoff.

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck,	W. H. Plass,
" Minor Swick,	David Phillips.
" DeWitt B. Wyckoff.	

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. S. W. Roe, D. D.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. M. R. Gordon.

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. P. A. Wessels,	Levi M. Strong,
" C. P. Ditmars,	E. S. Groot,
" Alexander Hill,	Vischer Lansing.

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. W. A. Wurts,	Wm. Hayes,
" Frank A. Force,	John Hager,
" Edwin Vedder,	Wesley Posson,
" John G. Smart.	

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. R. M. Stanborough,
" Richard De Witt.

ARTICLE III.

The Rev. Philip Furbeck was chosen President the Rev. H. D. B. Mulford, Vice-President, and Revs P. K. Hageman, and George W. Furbeck, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read:

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. P. A. Wessels,	S. H. Van Dyck.
" E. Vedder,	G. W. Yerks,
" R. Stanborough.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. Minor Swick, W. H. Plass,
" M. R. Gordon, Levi M. Strong,
" W. A. Wurts.

On Synodical Report.

Rev. F. S. Barnum, Vischer Lansing,
" P. K. Hageman, Wm. Hayes,
" Frank A. Force.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. H. D. B. Mulford, M. M. Bagg, M. D.,
" E. Van Slyke, D. D., W. L. M. Phelps,
" P. K. Hageman.

On the Treasury.

Rev. S. W. Roe, D. D., P. Van Schaack,
" R. De Witt.

On Nominations.

Rev. J. G. Smart, G. W. Yerks.
" De Witt B. Wyckoff.

On Necrology.

Rev. John A. De Baun, D. D.

On Religious Exercises.

Rev. W. A. Wurts, Wm. Hayes,
" R. DeWitt.

On Missions.

Rev. DeWitt B. Wyckoff, Cornelius J. Hoff,
" G. W. Furbeck, Thomas Bell,
" W. N. P. Dailey.

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. Frank A. Force, David Phillips,
" M. R. Gordon.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's accounts and vouchers were read, and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The list of Delegates to General Synod, nominated by the several classes, was received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the minutes of the General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of New Brunswick and Chicago were received.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods.

New York, Rev. Evert Van Slyke, D. D.

New Brunswick, Rev. John B. Drury, D. D.,

Chicago, Rev. F. W. Palmer.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted.

On Religious Exercises.

Your committee would report the following arrangements for the next Synod.

On the evening of the first day, the subject for discussion shall be, "The Signs of the Times; do they point to the early fulfilling of Prophecy, in the ingathering of the Nations into the Church." The Rev. H. D. B. Mulford, and the Rev. A. J. Sebring, being appointed to make addresses, with the Revs. E. Van Slyke, D. D., and DeWitt B. Wyckoff as their alternates.

The evening of the second day shall be devoted to the interests of the Boards of Foreign and Domestic Missions, at which time the representatives of those Boards shall be heard.

W. A. WURTS,

Chairman.

On Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology respectfully report:

The Rev. J. Kelley Rhinehart, of the Classis of Greene, pastor of the Church of Kiskatom, ceased from his labors, Nov. 15, 1891, in the 61st year of his

age. Mr. Rhinehart graduated from Rutger's College in 1859, and from the New Brunswick Seminary in 1862. He was pastor at Roxbury, 1862–1873, and at Princetown from 1873 to 1889, when he removed to Kiskatom. The Classis of Schenectady, in which he labored longest, testify: "As a member of this body he was one of the most faithful. Always on hand, never intrusive, yet always ready to take any part assigned him, and discharging every duty with the same conscientious zeal. His sixteen years at Princetown were years of steadfast sowing and reaping, he quietly, prayerfully did his work, and God greatly blessed him there. We bear witness to his spirituality and that he loved the place of prayer and the communion of the saints. We testify that he preached with plainness, earnestness and sincerity the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Him crucified, and that his highest joy was fulfilled when he knew some one was being helped, comforted or led to Jesus Christ by his ministry."

The Classis of Greene, in whose fellowship he died testify: "We, his brethren of the Classis of Greene, hereby record our loving testimony to his character and ministry. His ministry among his people was marked by fidelity, tenderness and ability in preaching the word, and by great earnestness of spirit and activity as a pastor. In his intercourse with his brethren, Brother Rhinehart was always the loving, modest, gentlemanly Christian minister, whose presence, counsel and prayers contributed much to the joy of our fellowship and to wise conclusions in classical action. We looked upon him as the true man as well as minister, and deeply mourn his loss." A classmate says of him: "He was a favorite with both faculty and students, but with neither at the expense of his standing with the other. He was from first to last the same respectful, genial, faithful, manly student, never self-

seeking in strife for honors, nor self-belittling in lack of enthusiasm for study. From what he was and did in student life, we might expect in mature years, steady, earnest, persevering fidelity to duty, in the sphere assigned him by Providence. Such was in fact his ministry. He has well exemplified Paul's ideal, 'It is required in stewards that a man be found faithful.'" One whose privilege it was to work at his side and count him a brother beloved, for many years, may be permitted to add that "he found him always the same; genial, whole-hearted, self-forgetful, with a soul full of love for Christ and His Church, and the souls of men. He was remarkably successful in winning men to his Saviour, and in edifying the body of Christ, and the mystery of Providence came to us with a shock of personal pain and loss when we learned that his sun had gone down at noon."

The Rev. Hiram Slauson died in his home in Whitehall, Dec. 5th, 1891. By a remarkable Providence, his wife, who had been his genial helper through all the years of his active ministry, and his faithful and loving nurse through twenty-five years in which he was a helpless and suffering invalid, and who wrote a note to a friend in the hours of his death in which she expressed her thankfulness that she had been able to care for him to the very end, also died before the close of the same day. Mr. Slauson was born in Greene Co. N. Y., Dec. 5th, 1810. Inspired in his early youth with a desire to preach Christ, through the influence of a Christian mother, he fitted himself for college, and worked his way, by teaching through Union College, Schenectady, where he graduated in 1837. In like manner he supported himself through Union Seminary, New York, from which he graduated three years later. He was ordained a Congregational Minister in 1840, and was pastor of the Congregational Church, Whitehall, New York, for two years. He was

called to the Reformed Church of Northumberland in 1843, where he remained ten years. Then to Port Jervis for four years. Then back to Whitehall, where he began his ministry for three years. In 1862, he was called to New Salem and Clarksville, where, after four years' labor, he was stricken with epilepsy, which completely disabled him, and rendered him a helpless invalid for the remaining twenty-five years of his life. The Stated Clerk of the Classis of Albany, who knew Mr. Slauson well, says "His record is that of a most worthy and devout minister, who, under a mysterious Providence, has had to suffer and wait in helplessness these long years. 'They serve who only stand and wait.' " At the funeral of the, at last released husband, and his devoted wife, it was well said: "Men who died on battle fields in bloody strife are called heroes, what shall we call, noble, faithful, Christian men who wear themselves out battling for Christ? Who can coin an appropriate name for those loving, self-sacrificing wives who die devoted to duty and to God? Surely their names should be written high on the walls of Heaven, in letters of gold sprinkled with diamond dust. If their work is not done and well done, who can finish it? God in his love did not separate husband and wife whose marriage was Heaven born."

The Rev. William H. Ballagh, of the Classis of Albany died suddenly at Palmyra, N. Y., Saturday evening, Jan. 2nd, 1892. He had gone from his home at Lyons, to assist in the coming Sabbath services. Though having suffered for two weeks with the prevailing influenza, he still thought that he was equal to the effort. The result, however, was his sudden death while resting in his chair. Mr. Ballagh graduated from Rutger's College in 1860, and from New Brunswick Seminary in 1863. He had a strong desire to go as a foreign missionary, and offered himself to

the board with that view. But just at that time they were unable to accept his services. So he became pastor of the Church of Union, 1865–68. East Berne and Knox 1868–77, and in 1878 he took charge of the Union Evangelical Church, Corona, L. I. Afterward he was pastor of the Church of Asbury Park, N. J., for seven years, during which he secured the erection of the present church edifice there. Since giving up that charge he was constantly employed in supplying vacant pulpits and assisting in evangelistic services, for which he had special taste and qualifications. Mr. Ballagh was a man of strong, positive character, and able and ready to give a reason for the hope that was in him, and holding that hope in assurance of faith. He was a close student of the Word and a faithful expounder of its teachings. His preaching was forceful in demonstration of the spirit, and of power. His utterances of the truth attracted the attention and won the hearty acceptance of devout souls, and often awakened the strong opposition of the careless, and repelled the worldly. He loved the service of the Master, and was always rejoicing to be engaged in the work. He was especially characterized by a very strong and scrupulous conscienciousness, which never allowed his personal interests to stand in the way of his sense of present duty and responsibility. He passed away in the prime of his days, and in the midst of his earnest devotion to the upbuildiug of the Kingdom, we cannot doubt in cheerful response to the Master's summons—unexpected as it was—to come up higher.

The Rev. James M. Compton died at Columbia, Herkimer Co., N. Y., where he was pastor, Dec. 12, 1891, aged 73. Mr. Compton graduated at Rutger's College in 1843, and from New Brunswick Seminary three years later. In the course of his forty-five years' ministry he served many churches, and served them acceptably, as is proved by his return for his last

pastorate to a church which he had served twenty years before, thus being recalled by the children of whose parents he had been spiritual guide, and counsellor and friend. He had served seven churches in the Classis of Montgomery, (in whose fellowship he died), at intervals from the prime of his manhood to his still fruitful old age. Personally he was cheerful, genial, hopeful; as a preacher he was a very sound and conscientious breaker of the bread of life; as a pastor he was faithful and acceptable. He was so unobtrusive and retiring, so restricted to his own parish and his own work, that even his death was unknown to most of his co-presbyters until long after his burial. He was president of his Classis at the time; and his brethren were wondering why he delayed the call for a pending meeting, until they were shocked to learn that he had passed away before the occasion of the call arose. Earnestly and honestly they review his memory, while they reproach themselves that they had not known him better. He died after four days illness of neuralgia of the heart, having preached as usual the last Sabbath of his life.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. DeBaun.

On the Treasury.

Your Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts of Synod, would respectfully report: The papers of receipts and disbursements were placed in their hands with accompanying vouchers, and found correct.

The statement of the financial condition is appended:

S. W. Roe,

Chairman.

1890. Dr.			
May 1.	Balance on hand	$	99 51
" 15.	Cash from Classis of Saratoga		14 00
" 16.	" " " " Greene		12 00
" 16.	" " " " Albany		24 00
" 28.	" " " " Schenectady		14 00
" 28.	" " " " Rensselaer		18 00
July 7.	" " " " Rochester		9 00
Sept. 18.	" " " " Montgomery		29 00
Oct. 9.	" " " " Ulster		18 00
" 10.	" " " " Schoharie		8 00
	Total	$	245 51
1891. Cr.			
May 6.	By cash to Sexton at Coxsackie	$	5 00
" 11.	" " salary of Stated Clerk		75 00
" 25.	" " Schenectady Union Co		50 00
Aug. 13.	" " " " "		25 00
	Total	$	155 00
1892. May 2	Balance to new account	$	90 51

On Consistorial Minutes.

Your Committee on the minutes of Classis, would respectfully report that the minutes of all the Classes have been placed in our hands, and have been examined. We find them all in good order and for the most part neatly kept, with no irregularities which call for special notice, except, perhaps, the action of the Classes of Rochester, in receiving at its late spring meeting, the Rev. Mr. Schlister as a member of Classis, without a certificate of dismission from any ecclesiastical body, with which he has been connected. Your committee would recommend that the attention of said Classis be called to the incompleteness of the record in regard to the reception of the Rev. Mr. Schlister, and to the constitutional irregularities of his reception.

Respectfully Submitted,

MINOR SWICK,

Chairman.

On Synodical Minutes.

Your Committee would respectfully report as follows: There has been placed in our hands the Minutes of General Synod 1891. Also Minutes of Particular Synod of Chicago, New Brunswick and

Albany. The Minutes of the Particular Synod of New York have for some unknown reason not come before your Committee.

We find in looking over the Minutes of the Particular Synods, nothing which calls for special action on the part of this Synod. But we note with pleasure the many instances of spiritual aid furnished by the Y. P. S. C. E. to the Churches where they are established.

Your Committee would call attention to the Minutes of General Synod, page 361, item 2d.

That we with positiveness and with great emphasis protest against opening the World's Columbian Exposition on Sundays."

Your Committee would recommend that this Synod protest against said opening of the World's Columbian Exposition on Sundays and we overture General Synod to take some definite action upon this subject.

In the Minutes of General Synod of 1891, on page 310, item 3, your Committee find a reference to Sabbath School work, and invite this Synod to urge upon the Classes attention to the following item: To arrange for Classical Sabbath School Conventions and to exercise a fostering supervision over the Sunday School work of the Classes with *especial reference to its denominational bearings.*

All of which we respectfully submit,

P. A. WESSELS,
Chairman.

On Missions.

Your Committee on Missions present the following report.

In view of the importance of the missionary work, and the need of united action to replenish the depleted treasuries of our Missionary Boards, your committee offer for adoption the following resolutions:

1—*Resolved*, That all the churches of our Synod be requested to give frequent opportunity to their congregations to place offerings into the treasuries of these societies.

2—*Resolved*, That the plan outlined by the Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck, for increasing the present working force in the foreign field, and of stimulating a greater interest in the extension of the Master's Kingdom by plan of organization and of systematic giving on the part of the Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, be approved.

3—*Resolved*, That pastors and consistories are hereby urged to conduct the monthly missionary concert that increased interest may be developed in our churches.

4—*Resolved*, That this Synod recognizes the excellent work accomplished by the Women's Missionary Societies, and desire that auxiliary societies be formed in all our churches.

5—*Resolved*, That we have listened with pleasure to the statement of our Synodical agent—the Rev. J. H. Enders, and cordially approve his work.

D. B. WYCKOFF

Chairman.

On Synodical Report.

The Committee on the State of Religion in the Churches of the Synod would respectfully report, that the usual Classical narratives, records of ministerial changes and statistical tables, came to hand in due time and have been carefully considered. Some of the reports are very condensed, and others quite full in detailed account of spiritual and material interests in the churches. To give our review a somewhat uniform character, and the better for comparison, we will make statistical comparison between last year's report and

the report of this year in the more important items of the tables, as well as note the special spiritual and material progress that have marked the year. We believe that in this way we can assist the understanding of the state of religion in the churches.

Classis of Albany. There are seventeen churches in the Classis, five of which are vacant, and another one to be soon without a pastor, as Rev. Dr. Dowling has resigned from the Madison Avenue church, Albany.

There is reported a decrease of 108 families in this Classis, and an increase of 12 in the membership, after deducting 143 as the loss by dismissal and death. It may be well to note right here that three of the churches have revised their lists of families and communicants during the year. The Sunday School membership has decreased by 27. There has been a decrease of $2,132 in benevolent offerings through our Boards, and an increase of $1,840 to other objects. On these points the report says: "The decrease of over $2,090 in offerings to 'Denominational Objects'" from the aggregate of last year may be explained, partly by severe losses from death in the churches, and by the removal of several pastors, and partly by the many and clamorous calls of benevolent work outside our denomination; our churches giving a total of $1,840 more to other objects than the year before. There is also a decrease $6,684 in congregational expenses.

In spiritual matters there has been no special or unusual interest among the churches. Various causes may be noted as contributing to this result. Five of the largest churches have suffered very severely from the death of members; prevailing disease has seriously limited the influence of the regular as well as special services, and five of the churches are still without pastors, though three have installed pastors during the year. The report notes further that the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Societies are flourishing, and

accessions upon profession. First Rochester has assisted in building a chapel at Brighton, and has paid $1,100 of the amount besides improving its own edifice; Marion and Pultneyville have improved their church buildings and Clymer its parsonage.

The Classical report says: "Taking a general view over the churches we find hopeful progress at almost every point. Extraordinary manifestations of the Spirit do not occur, but the work of the Master is everywhere receiving some blessing. Harmony reigns supreme in all the churches; four Women's missionary societies have been formed, and every department of church work has been strengthened."

Classis of Saratoga. Twelve churches compose this Classis, of whom six are without a pastor, thus leaving much of the field cared for in only a very partial way. One year ago eleven were under pastoral supervision. It is to be noted though that in two cases one pastor supplied two churches, and as both these ministers have been dismissed to another Classis, four churches were thus put on the "vacant" list. With so many pastorless churches it could not be expected that the general statistics would mark much of an advance, yet there has not been so great a declension as might have been feared.

Comparing with the tables of 1891, it is seen that there is a decrease of thirty-three families, and of 144 in membership after reporting losses by dismissal and deaths of 81. There are 236 less on the rolls of the Sunday Schools. Denominational Benevolences are increased by $14, and for outside objects by $436.

The increase for congregational purposes is $4,880.00. The increased amount in the congregational column is explained by the extensive improvements upon the Cohoes church property, reported to be $5,000.00. Buskirks has spent $634.00 on church improvements, and Schaghticoke has also made repairs

worth noting. Wynantskill has received pledges for $1,500.00, which when paid will relieve the church of all indebtedness. One church, West Troy (south) sustains no services, "and has only a nominal existence."

Cohoes seems to be the only church in the Classis privileged to record large things in the Divine favor; 42 have been added on Confession of Faith; "church quickened and united, and in all its departments of work is striving to help men upward and heavenward." The Classical report in summarizing, calls attention to the fact that so many churches are vacant; also to the small number of infant baptisms; and to the few catechumens reported; and deplores the apparent apathy or contentment of the churches, as a whole, with the present condition. It is to be hoped that this Classis may be privileged to sing many strains of thanksgiving in the report of next year, making them almost to forget the disheartening picture of this year's record.

Classis of Schenectady. There are eleven churches in this Classis, two of which, 1st Glenville, and Lisha's Kill, have no pastors.

The statistical tables brought into comparison with those of 1891 show an increase of 34 families and of 72 members after deducting a loss by death and removals of 99. There is an increase in the number in Sunday school of 76. $606.00 more were given to benevolence through our boards than last year, and $196.00 less to other objects. $1,510.00 increase were given to congregational purposes.

First Schenectady reports a gain in spiritual life, and encouraging success in the missions supported by it; and with Second Schenectady, Niskayuna, 1st and 2nd Rotterdam, Helderberg and Altamont rejoices in considerable in gatherings upon Confession. 2nd Schenectady reports $1,500.00 paid upon its indebtedness; 1st Rotterdam, a new chapel with a seating

capacity of 300; Amity a reduced debt; Princetown, a Sunday school specially flourishing, and a surplus of $400.00 in the treasury. Niskayuna has greatly exceeded all former years in benevolent offerings. Helderberg and Altamont, now under one pastorate, are looking forward to becoming two charges. First Glenville and Lisha's Kill note several deaths of prominent members.

The report concludes, "God has been with us and his benediction has rested upon our work."

Classis of Schoharie. The report of this Classis was sent in with detailed statements of the condition of only a few of the churches. Of the seventeen churches four are vacant.

A comparison of this year's tables with last year's yields the following facts: 13 less in number of families reported, and 37 less in membership, with losses by dismissal and deaths of 60; and a decrease of 116 in the S. S. enrollment. A decrease of $39.00 in the gifts through our boards and a decrease of gifts to other objects of $58.00; witn an increase of $1,177.00 in congregational expenses.

No special religious interest has marked the life of the churches during the year. Prattsville speaks discouragingly of its prospects, by reason of a steady decline through deaths, removals, etc. Within the last ten years the church has lost more than two-thirds of its membership, and has no pastor now. The Moresville church is improving its church edifice at an expense of about $300.00, and expects soon to have a pastor. Gallupville has a pastor now, and is encouraged. Gilboa has been able to secure the ministrations of the word to its manifest quickening. As to the other churches the report says, "they speak hopefully."

Classis of Ulster. Fifteen churches are included in the roll of this Classis, and all have settled pastors except Blue Mountain, Esopus and Plattekill.

We submit the same comparison of summaries as for the other Classes. An increase of 142 families is reported; also of 238 to the membership after deducting 68 by dismissals and death. There are 61 less on the roll of the Sunday schools. The benevolent columns show a decrease of $418.00 in gifts through our boards and an increase of $170.00 in outside benevolences; an increase also of $2,817.00 in gifts to congregational purposes.

Most of the reports speak of spiritual prosperity, and the churches of Flatbush, Kingston and Shandaken report considerable accessions. Saugerties has been signally favored through the agency of evangelistic services conducted by Rev. Mr. Carter, and in which the other churches in the village participated. A blessed quickening resulted to the membership, and a large and precious ingathering of converts of Christ and his church. Most of the churches speak of prayer meetings well sustained, and Sunday schools flourishing. Roxbury has been afflicted by the burning of its church edifice, but is courageously moving to rebuild. Kingston has suffered somewhat by financial troubles growing out of the closing of the Ulster County Savings bank; Esopus has exceeded former years in amount of benevolent offerings.

Your committee would further report that the statement of the Synodical Missionary, Rev. J. H. Enders, has been placed in their hands, and it shows great diligence and faithfulness on his part, in discharging his duties. We feel that the results shown commend his appointment, and we are still more convinced of the value and necessity of such particular watch care over our feeble churches, and such investigation and effort to occupy new fields, as a missionary so appointed can give.

Aggregating the tables of all the Classis, we find reported 11,954 families; a gain of 239. We wish this increase could confidently be explained thus: That at

least two-thirds of the number were families heretofore unconnected with Christian congregations, now attracted to the church, and as households coming under the watch care and instruction of the ministry. It would then show the church in a blessed missionary activity which would be full of promise for future growth. What a multitude of churchless families there are in the near vicinity of all the sanctuaries! And how truly they are to be labored for by Christ's redeemed people! How surely they need in their darkness the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world!

The church membership in the Synod numbers 21,190, a net increase of only 71; the total of assessions upon confession of faith is 842. The small net increase with so many coming in by confession shows how extensive have been the ravages by death, and the losses by removals. We must note also a loss by revision of lists of 165. But is the church occupying such a wide field as is covered by this Synod to be able only to hold its own numerically, from year to year, while the population increases so rapidly, and the forces of evil are holding under their malign influence the great majority of the people, and while the opposition to righteousness is becoming more aggressive and apparently more successful? It would greatly dishearten us if we felt this must be admitted. We do not so understand God's purposes. The church, given life from above, is the great power of God on earth for good. It is to tear down the strongholds of Satan; one is intended to chase a thousand, and two are to put ten thousand to flight. Nought is to be able to withstand its onward march under the lead of Jesus; therefore if the church does not move forward gloriously and with large increase from year to year we may conclude that is some way it is not fully in the line of free transmission of the saving gifts and power of the Holy Ghost. How earnestly should we search out the defects of

faith, service and example, and give ourselves, pastors and people, to such a consecration and engagedness in the Master's kingdom as shall bring down the fullness of the Divine blessing upou men to their salvation.

The benevolent offerings through our own Boards amount to $30,742.00; less than last year by $1,018. The offerings for other objects amount to $12,753.00, an increase of $3,992. The offerings for other objects are a very variable quantity, and are not as determinative of the real benevolent movement of the church as what is given to our own Boards. The present system of separating the gifts is only two years old, and we are thus barred from forming a judgment of the spirit of benevolence by the examination of statistics for a term of years. Certainly the church generally has advanced nobly in the last ten years. Is the Particular Synod of Albany keeping pace with the rest of the church? Is it doing its full duty? We have certainly fallen behind last year's gifts to our own Boards, and the wealthiest Classis leads off with a decrease of $2,132.00, and two other Classes follow with a decrease. The other Classes, however, have done so well that $1,500.00 of that deficiency is supplied, and the Synod is only $1,018.00 behind last year. In the missionery department of church activity there is a constantly required increase in carrying on the work already undertaken, and it is so in most of the departments of general work. Several of the Boards face a threatened or real debt every year, and the pressing appeals from those in charge are really painful. These facts force this question. Has the Reformed church reached the reasonable limit of benevolent offerings to be expected from its present membership? Is there such a recognization or moral obligation as stewarts of God that we should be justified in adjusting our general outlay, say to missions, to the present receipts? We have yet to hear such a statement made, or even the suggestion of such a conviction. No! the conviction is that the

church has ability to do larger things on benevolent lines, and that the fault of her not doing so lies in part, in the fact that she is too indifferent about the work of the Lord in the earth, and so not interested enough in its advance; and in part, to the fact that giving to the Lord is not made systematic and conscientious as to amount. The church generally has not learned that God's tithes are first to be taken out, and then our personal and family needs remembered. If the church would weigh well the diiections and requirements of the Old Testament offerings to God, and then the New Testament rule is given by Paul, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him," it would see that the duty of considering God's claims first and generously was a very plain and obligatory one. And it must come to that understanding, we think, ere the cause of Christ advances as it should in the earth. We are having spiritual prosperity to-day according to the measure of our observance of this rule. "Bring all the tithes in to the storehouse that there may be meat in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room to receive it." We are glad that the subject of systematic giving has been put into the hands of a committee by General Synod, and that they are to report "upon some plan or method for systematic beneficence for adoption by our churches."

In concluding their report, your committee would voice the thanksgiving of the churches for the great mercies received from the open hand of our Heavenly Father, and also supplicate the descent of the Holy Spirit in such pentecostal fullness that the coming year may be the most blessed of all our history, in both spiritual and material things.

Respectfully submitted,

F. S. Barnum, Chairman.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Received.

Rev. Charles W. Burrows from the Classis of Orange, July 20, 1891.

Rev. Wm. H. Ballagh from the Classis of Rochester, December 28, 1891.

Rev. Wm. H. Nasholds from the Classis of Rensselaer, December 25, 1892.

Installed.

Rev. Charles W. Burrows over the church of Coeymans, September 9, 1891.

Rev. Wm. H. Nasholds over the church of First Bethlehem, January 21, 1892.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. W. S. Brown and the church of Clarksville and Onesquethaw, July 20, 1891.

Between Rev. L. Dykstra and the church of First Bethlehem January 21, 1892.

Between Rev. Geo. E. Macardel and the church of New Salem, December 28, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. W. S. Brown to Presbytery of Troy, July 20, 1891.

Rev. L. Dykstra to Congregational Association of Iowa, September 15, 1891.

Died.

Rev. Hiram Slauson, December 5, 1891.

Rev. Wm. H. Ballagh, January 2, 1892.

Classis of Greene.

Received.

Rev. Clarence M. Perlee from the Classis of Passaic, September 15, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. Clarence M. Perlee over the church of Leeds, N. Y., September 15, 1891.

Died.

J. Kelly Rhinehardt, Nov. 15, 1891.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Received.

Rev. E. A. McCullum from the Classis of Saratoga, May 13, 1891.

Rev. Joseph B. Thyne from the Presbytery of Albany, September 14, 1891.

Rev. John Campbell Boyd from the Presbytery of Albany, September 14, 1891.

Rev. Mark A. Denman from the Classis of Saratoga, September 14, 1891.

Rev. John G. Gebhard from the Classis of Hudson, October 26, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. D. T. Harris over the church of Manhiem, May 13, 1891.

Rev. John A. Thompson over the church of East Palatine, May 18, 1891.

Rev. E. A. McCullum over the church of Fort Plain, June 23, 1891.

Rev. Mark A. Denman over the church of Canajoharie, October 21, 1891.

Rev. John G. Gebhard over the church of Herkimer, November 17, 1891.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. A. D. Minor and the church of Mohawk, June 29, 1891.

Between Rev. J. A. Thompson and the church of Stone Arabia, June 29, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. Julius J. Keerl to German Buffalo Synod, Apri 20, 1891

Rev. Frederick Kern to Classis of Bergen, April 20, 1891.

Died.

Rev. James M. Compton, December, 1891.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Received.

Rev. J. H. Van Doren from the Classis of Ulster, April 19, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. Cornelius E. Wyckoff over the church of Castleton, October 29, 1891.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. W. H. Nasholds and the church of Schodack Landing, December 14, 1881.

Dismissed.

J. E. Winnie (licentiate) to the Classis of Ulster, October 29, 1891.

Rev. W. H. Nasholds to the Classis of Albany, December 14, 1892.

CLASSES OF ROCHESTER.

Received.

Rev. J. Van Westenburg, (licentiate) from the Classis of New Brunswick, May 27, 1891.

Rev. P. Ihrman from the Classis of Wisconsin, Sept. 8, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. John Van Westenburg over the church of Pultneyville, N. Y., May 27, 1891.

Rev. P. Ihrman over the church of Marion, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1891.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. W. G. Baas and the church of Palmyra, N. Y., Sept. 12, 1891.

Between Rev. P. DeBruyn and the church of First, Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 30, 1891.

Between Rev. A. Veunema and the church of Second, Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 16, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. W. G. Baas to Classis of Holland, Sept. 12, 1891.

Rev. J. I. Gulick to Classis of Michigan, Sept. 16, 1891.

Rev. W. H. Ballagh to Classis of Albany, Oct. 9, 1891.

Rev. P. DeBruyn to Classis of Grand River, Nov. 30, 1891.

Rev. A. Veunema to Classis of Orange, Dec. 30, 1891.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Received.

Rev. I. G. Ogden from the Presbytery of Troy, N. Y., May 12, 1891.

Rev. John E. Hainer from the Rockingham Conference of the Christian church, April 12, 1892.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. E. A. McCullum and the church of Schuylerville, May 12, 1891.

Between Rev. M. A. Denman and the church of Northumberland, Sept. 15, 1891.

Between Rev. Geo. I. Taylor and the church of the Boght, Sept. 15, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. E. A. McCullum to Classis of Montgomery, May 12, 1891.

Rev. M. A. Denman to Classis of Montgomery, Sept. 15, 1891.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Received.

Rev. John C. Knox from the Presbytery of Albany, July 13, 1891.

Rev. Philip H. Cole from the Presbytery of Albany, Sept. 29, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. John C. Knox over the 2d chnrch of Rotterdam, Sept. 8, 1891.

Rev. Philip H. Cole over the 2d church of Schenectady, Oct. 20, 1881.

Pastorial relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Rev. Isaac L. Kip and the church of Lisha's Kill, Sept. 29, 1891.

Dismissed.

Rev. N. F. Nickerson to Classes of Dakota, July, 1891.

Classis of Schoharie.

Received.

Rev. Frank A. Force from the Presbytery of Petoski, Oct. 6, 1891.

Installed.

Rev. Frank A. Force over the church of Gallupville, N. Y., Nov. 10, 1891.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. F. W. Ruhl and the church of Prattsville, Nov. 10, 1892.

Dismissed.

Rev. F. W. Ruhl to Classis of Montgomery, Nov. 10, 1891.

Classes of Ulster.

Received.

Rev. Henry Boggis from the Classis of Monmouth. J. Edgar Winne (licentiate) from the Classis of Rensselaer.

Installed.

Rev. Henry Boggis over the church of Woodstock, July 15, 1891.

Rev. J. Edgar Winne ordained Missionary Nov. 11, 1891, and put in charge of church of Wiltwyck.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. S. T. Cole and the church of Plattekill, Oct. 6, 1891.

Between Rev. J. H. Van Doren and the church of Esopus, April 12, 1862.

Dismissed.

Rev. J. H. Van Doren ta Classis of Rensselaer, April 12, 1892.

Died.

Rev. A. J. Beekman, April, 1892.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	390	19	25	23	..	15	650	9	5	....	....	1	360	$3,078 61	$1,252 57	$ 9,05[illegible] 04	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Geo. Thos. Dowling	326	18	26	9	..	11	535	2	8	....	....	2	551	5,638 79	3,066 84	12,248 69	Albany, N. Y.
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	128	16	5	4	..	9	*175	12	4	....	....	1	190	82 00	165 00	2,393 00	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	73	9	....	1	..	1	*139	17	....	30	40	1	144	80 19	15 00	1,065 50	Albany, N. Y.
Holland Albany	.....	.....	1	2	....	..	....	132	8	....	....	40	1	160	.....	.....	1,250 00	Albany, N. Y.
First Bethlehem	W. H. Nasholds	157	9	0	1	..	1	218	8	4	....	....	5	360	73 76	.....	1,587 70	Beckers Corners.
Second Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, (S. C.)	100	1	1	12	..	10	235	7	....	....	85	1	165	207 66	6 00	2,000 00	Delmar, N. Y.
Second Berne	A. Parsons	35	....	1	2	..	....	70	2	....	....	15	1	85	15 50	.....	357 00	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	A. Parsons	28	....	2	....	..	....	56	....	....	....	18	1	80	66 60	.....	425 00	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville		52	1	....	4	..	4	72	2	....	2	....	1	120	10 00	.....	495 18	Clarksville, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	110	9	3	7	..	5	192	7	4	....	114	1	114	215 02	.....	2,582 64	Coeymans, N. Y.
Onesquethaw		40	....	....	....	..	1	54	....	....	26	....	1	50	8 23	.....	180 00	Clarksville, N. Y.
Jerusalem	John H. Scarlet	75	2	1	1	..	....	150	3	1	....	....	1	100	36 00	16 00	1,100 00	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem		108	....	....	3	..	4	167	....	....	59	144	1	144	.....	.....	850 88	New Salem, N. Y.
Union	John H. Scarlet	40	....	....	....	..	1	33	....	....	....	....	1	75	5 30	.....	525 65	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	97	6	2	8	..	6	172	8	4	....	....	1	132	224 80	43 47	1,813 42	New Baltimore, N. Y.
Westerlo		40	....	....	....	..	....	70	....	....	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1899	91	68	75	..	68	3120	85	30	117	456	22	2830	$9,742 46	$4,564 88	$37,929 70	

Other Ministers.—Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore; Rev. A. Dickson, Lansingburgh; Rev. J. H. Enders, Fort Hunter, Synodical Miss. Supt.; Rev. Geo. E. Macardel, Menands.

*Revised List.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Athens	B. F. Ashley	107	8	3	1	..	3	219	1	5	....	....	2	197	$270 96	$38 90	$2,079 63	Athens, N. Y.
Second Athens	C. M. Perlee, S. S.	20	0	0	0	..	1	23	5	0	10	....	1	50	18 22		165 52	Leeds, N. Y.
First Catskill	Evert Van Slyke, D.D.	195	4	5	0	..	3	319	6	0	266	300	1	300	1,186 19	660 00	3,793 00	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	P. K. Hageman,	100	14	4	0	..	6	197	5	11	45	100	3	225	182 92	53 00	†2,278 93	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	148	3	2	8	..	10	274	2	1	....	....	2	220	760 25	126 30	2,409 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Vacant	85	5	0	0	..	3	235	5	5	30	25	3	125	112 28		1,107 67	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	70	3	2	2	..	2	97	1	1	32	....	*4	262	84 64	8 04	1,822 51	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		725	37	16	11	..	28	1664	25	23	374	425	16	1379	$2,615 46	$886 07	$13,656 28	

Other Ministers—Rev. B. Van Zandt, D. D., Catskill, N. Y.

Licentiate—Arthur J. Smith.

Students—Edward O. Chickering, Henry C. Cussler.

(*3 Union)

(†Building of chapel included.)

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First Coxsackie	P. K. Hageman,	100	14	4	0	..	6	197	5	11	45	100	3	225	182 92	53 00	†2,278 93	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	148	3	2	8	..	10	254	2	1	....	....	2	220	760 25	126 30	2,409 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Vacant	85	5	0	0	..	3	235	5	5	30	25	3	125	112 28		1,107 67	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	70	3	2	2	..	2	97	1	1	22	....	*4	252	84 64	8 04	1,822 51	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		725	37	16	11	..	28	1664	25	23	374	425	16	1379	$2,615 46	$886 07	$13,656 28	

Other Ministers—Rev. B. Van Zandt, D. D., Catskill, N. Y.

Licentiate—Arthur J. Smith.

Students—Edward O. Chickering, Henry C. Cussler.

(*3 Union)

(†Building of chapel included.)

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam	Joshua R. Kyle	95	4	5	3	..	3	180	7	2	.....	.....	1	238	$280 59	$44 41	$1,446 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Amsterdam, Trinity	James A. Beattie, S.S.	20	1	12	.....	..	.....	13	..	.....	.....	.....	1	70	.....	.....	.....	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. Campbell Boyd, S.S.	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Canajoharie	Mark A. Denman	175	3	7	5	..	3	303	5	1	.....	.....	2	200	248 00	60 00	9,726 00	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Canastota	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Chittenango	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Cicero	F. W. Ruhl	35	.....	1	1	..	.....	23	..	.....	.....	.....	1	71	.....	.....	277 00	Cicero, N. Y.
Columbia	Vacant	*37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*51	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	74	.....	.....	.....	Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville		.....	7	2	2	..	3	24	.....	4	12	.....	1	60	36 00	60 00	214 00	
Currytown	Henry H. Sangree	29	1	2	.....	1	1	73	4	7	30	40	1	50	154 00	22 00	904 00	Currytown, N. Y.
East Palatine	John A. Thomson	26	1	17	.....	..	.....	18	..	7	.....	.....		40	11 98	100 00	173 00	
Ephratah		60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	7	1	3	..	4	104	2	6	.....	.....		150	70 20	39 00	1,000 00	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	John A. DeBaun	214	13	2	14	..	7	429	..	7	.....	125	2	300	621 12	551 66	2,174 00	Fonda, N. Y
Fort Herkimer	Albert D. Minor	*13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*15	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	
Fort Plain	E. A. McCullom	162	30	2	.....	..	1	258	4	16	.....	75		180	285 60	54 46	4,399 00	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	F. V. VanVranken, S.C.	122	2	7	5	..	10	148	8	.....	.....	100		178	337 04	40 30	2,295 00	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	Joseph B. Thyne, S.S.	65	1	1	1	..	1	83	5	1	.....	30	2	180	102 97	35 00	1,100 00	Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman's Mills	Maurice G. Hansen	75	3	1	3	..	3	†128	3	1	.....	100	1	150	68 34	10 25	1,481 00	Hagaman's Mills, N. Y.
Henderson	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Herkimer	John G. Gebhard	125	11	4	2	..	2	225	..	3	123	125		138	226 00	14 00	1,495 00	Herkimer, N. Y.

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†Exclusive of 25 non-residents.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY, (CONTINUED.)

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Manheim	D. T. Harris	35	3	2	1	..	....	42	7	....	25	12	2	60	$ 2 00	$12 00	$671	East Creek, N. Y.
Mapletown	Henry H. Sangree	20	1	0	....	..	1	20	....	....	....	12	1	70	19 00	6 00	283	Currytown, N. Y.
Mohawk	Ira Van Allen, P E	*79	....	....	....	..	....	*115	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	Mohawk, N. Y.
Nauemberg	Vacant	*12	....	....	....	..	....	*32	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
New Bremen	Vacant	*7	....	....	....	..	....	*17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
Owasco	Vacant	85	15	1	....	..	1	129	....	10	....	....	2	150	17 73	14 00	1,079	Owasco, N. Y.
Owasco Outlet	Vacant	35	6	1	....	..	2	57	....	1	....	....	1	50	51 09	30 46	462	
Point Rock	Vacant	*14	....	0	....	..	....	*23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
St. Johnsville	Philip Furbeck	115	8	0	3	..	3	217	2	3	....	....	2	175*	64 03	70 00	1,554	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thomson	60	2	1	12	2	1	78	....	1	....	50	1	92	148 80	6 76	599	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	Vacant	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
Syracuse	H. DuBois Mulford	175	14	12	10	..	2	336	12	2	....	215	1	337	1,205 86	590 56	6,388	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Isles	George Z. Collier	100	5	....	5	..	0	97	7	5	....	75	1	125	283 79	125 00	1,050	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Oren Root	51	10	7	....	..	4	143	2	1	....	....	1	160	280 36	225 00	6,020	Utica, N. Y.
West Leyden	Fred. E. Schleider	30	....	....	....	..	1	47	3	....	....	....	1	40	24 00	3 00	375	West Leyden, N. Y.
Total		2285	148	88	70	4	53	3568	71	66	190	959	32	3338	$4,598 45	$2,014 85	$45,174	

Other Ministers—Rev. Joseph Knieskern, Courtland, N. Y.; Rev. R. R. Williams, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. David Lord, Jordanville, N. Y.; Rev. C. P. Evans, Albany, N. Y.; Rev. Guido F. Verbeck, Tokio, Japan. *Last year's report. †Exclusive of 25 non-residents.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blooming Grove	Minor Swick, S. S.	65	4	....	2	..	2	79	4	2	....	15	1	90	$161	.....	$953	Defriestville, N. Y.
Emmanuel, Castleton	Cornelius E. Wyckoff.	110	23	4	4	..	2	221	....	14	....	60	1	200	104	$95	2,137	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Theo. S. Brown, S. S.	105	6	3	4	..	3	212	....	5	....	....	1	194	404	101	1,900	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	DeWitt B. Wyckoff	74	6	2	3	..	4	125	1	4	55	40	2	110	253	64	1,718	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Isaac S. Schenck	70	6	....	....	..	5	168	6	1	....	....	1	100	64	14	1,487	Stockport, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	120	17	3	4	..	8	*226	7	5	....	....	1	100	225	13	2,034	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier, S. C.	145	6	1	5	..	6	295	9	1	150	60	2	206	1,803	125	2,510	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	132	3	1	5	..	4	219	1	2	33	....	1	120	161	.....	5,314	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Vacant	23	5	....	1	..	1	*48	2	3	....	....	1	45	25	.....	183	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	Edward Birdsall	80	11	7	7	1	0	153	2	3	....	....	2	170	306	.....	1,180	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	J. E. Crane, P. E.	99	1	1	2	..	4	140	....	....	....	....	1	145	99	.....	1,251	Schodack Landing, N. Y.
Stuyvesant	George W. Furbeck	60	3	....	3	..	2	104	....	1	....	....	1	83	239	25	1,081	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	Vacant	35	1	....	1	..	1	51	1	....	....	....	1	47	.....	.....	522	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
Vacant		1118	91	22	41	1	42	2041	33	41	238	175	16	1619	$3,844	$437	$21,970	

Other Ministers—Rev. Elbert Nevius, retired, Stuyvesant, N. Y.; Rev. John B. Drury, Editor of the *Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J.; J. H. Van Doren, Bath-on-Hudson.

*Revised List.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe Church	John Hoffman	85	13	3	....	..	4	192	12	....	....	40	1	120	$69 87	$97 71	$826 98	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	M. Van Doorn	39	7	....	3	..	3	105	5	....	....	....	1	75	22 85	.....	401 45	Newark, N. Y.
Clymer	P. G. M. Bahler	88	6	....	3	..	3	*185	2	....	207	55	1	107	95 73	25 50	1,179 78	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	G. H. Hospers	120	19	16	20	..	6	*258	21	1	275	50	1	123	197 45	54 03	1,243 76	East Williamson, N. Y.
Ev. Prot. Christ Ch.	John Boehrer	26	4	....	....	1	2	45	4	....	80	7	1	40	14 83	.....	513 66	47 Barthel St. Buffalo.
Farmer Village	F. W. Palmer	141	18	5	7	..	4	240	4	13	....	....	1	244	222 56	138 85	1,819 60	Farmer Village, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	6	1	5	..	6	181	1	4	....	....	1	135	264 87	27 50	1,225 00	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	P. Ihrman	130	26	27	10	..	6	*284	23	....	250	50	1	190	73 61	.....	864 95	Marion, N. Y.
Palmyra	Vacant	‡49	....	....	2	..	....	111	9	....	....	....	1	75	24 44	.....	510 00	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	J. VanWestenburg, S.C	83	13	5	1	..	2	159	6	....	120	35	1	96	69 53	57 20	827 24	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra, P. E.	222	9	5	....	..	15	414	28	....	....	110	2	320	260 15	†2,056 85	2,108 23	Rochester, N. Y.
Second Rochester	T. W. Hopkins, S. S.	79	3	7	6	..	....	180	17	....	113‡	....	1	265	149 23	358 41	2,715 45	Rochester, N. Y.
Tyre	Sanford W. Roe	35	1	....	2	..	2	*40	....	....	42	25	2	110	79 00	.....	250 00	Malcolm, N. Y.
Total		1197	125	69	57	1	52	2394	132	18	1087	372	15	1900	$1,544 12	$2,816 05	$14,486 10	

Other Ministers--Rev. A. M. Mann, Farmer Village, N. Y.; Rev. G. J. Renskers, Emeritus, Clymer, N. Y.; Rev. A. B. Vanhuizen, Pultneyville, N. Y.; Rev. Chester P. Murray, Union Springs, N. Y.

*Revised List. ‡Last year's report. †Includes $1,119 for the Chapel at Brighton.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	Vacant	26	0	0	8	..	5	60	....	....	....	....	1	59	5 40	.....	$241 79	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Vacant	40	4	1	1	..	3	67	....	4	....	....	1	86	160 25	.....	1,093 45	Buskirks Bridge, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser	250	42	9	12	..	10	450	11	12	....	....	1	350	395 24	$30 00	0,140 68	Cohoes, N. Y.
Fort Miller	John E. Hainer	45	0	0	6	..	2	97	....	....	....	....	1	75	25 00	.....	330 97	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Vacant	70	3	....	....	..	4	100	....	3	....	75	1		30 00	.....	612 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Northumberland*	Vacant	72	....	....	....	..	1	153	....	....	....	....	1	75	75 00	82 00	1,400 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John E. Hainer, P.E.	155	3	2	6	..	6	322	3	....	....	....	1	131	1 4 15	18 40	1,857 42	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	M. R. Gordon	41	....	1	2	..	....	77	2	....	....	....	1	76	25 00	10 19	1, 26 62	Reynolds, N. Y.
Union Village	F. C. Scoville	80	3	6	0	..	4	180	....	3	....	....	1	105	244 98	.....	1,900 00	Greenwich, N. Y.
West Troy, (North)	Henry Evertson Cobb	175	10	11	4	..	4	272	2	3	....	....	1	220	495 13	346 67	4,213 45	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, (South)	Vacant	37	0	0	1	..	....	35	....	....	....	....			72 00	.....	.....	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	Eugene C. Olney, (S.S.	60	1	4	1	..	1	99	3	1	....	....	1	63	78 31	11 51	1,250 00	Wynantskill, N. Y.
Total		1051	66	34	41	..	40	1912	19	26	....	75	10	1240	,720 46	$498 47	$24,146 38	

Other Ministers.—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Middle Falls, Washington Co., N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.; Rev. George I. Taylor, 136 5th Street, Newark, N. J.; Rev. I. G. Ogden, 220 Eighth Street, N. Y.

Candidates—W. Armitage Beardslee, Yonkers, N. Y.

*Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Schenectady	Albert C. Sewall	*322	15	23	7	..	13	484	6	7	....	....	3	688	$1,316	$202	$5,810	Schenectady, N. Y.
Second Schenectady	Philip H. Cole	211	9	14	6	..	3	265	5	3	....	....	1	298	211	40	3,536	Schenectady, N. Y.
First Glenville	Vacant	125	1	2	11	..	2	250	1	....	....	....	2	132	210	21	1,144	Glenville, N. Y.
Second Glenville	Robert Doig	80	....	1	2	..	3	156	3	....	60	75	2	150	153	100	1,250	Scotia, N. Y.
First Rotterdam	Alexander Hill	180	17	5	....	..	5	106	11	6	....	....	3	250	60	.....	2,167	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Second Rotterdam	John Calvin Knox	60	24	4	....	..	5	115	....	10	....	....	1	135	84	12	875	Schenectady, N. Y.
Helderberg-Altamont	Bergen B. Staats	180	7	8	9	..	4	*388	3	2	188	216	2	288	208	21	2,754	Guilderland Centre, N.Y
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars, S. C.	125	15	5	8	..	5	248	10	2	110	150	2	240	710	7	1,600	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Lisha's Kill	Vacant	†66	....	....	....	..	....	121	....	....	....	....	2	135	70	.....	1,075	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	65	1	....	5	..	2	130	....	....	30	150	1	150	44	26	1,646	Visscher's Ferry, N. Y.
Princetown	P. A. Wessels	105	2	....	5	..	4	265	3	....	54	159	2	224	132	107	1,526	Giffords, N. Y.
Total		1519	91	62	53	..	46	2528	42	30	442	750	21	2690	$3,200	$536	$23,383	

Other Ministers—Rev. D. B. Hall, Duanesburgh, N. Y.; Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y.; Rev. Wm. P. Davis, Schenectady, N. Y.; Rev. Lauren Vanderveer, Schenectady, N. Y.; Rev. Isaac L. Kip, New Brunswick, N. J., Supt. City Missions. *Revised List. †Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	Wm. A. Wurts, P. E.	45	8	....	....	..	3	72	....	7	24	....	1	58	$ 12 26	$ 4 47	$ 849 00	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	Wm. A. Wurts, P. E.	57	3	....	7	..	6	68	....	1	24	25	1	58	81 95	8 10	522 00	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	Philip Phelps, Jr.	42	1	....	....	..	1	70	....	....	....	....	1	100	46 00	.....	434 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Central Bridge	Theo. A. Beekman	30	1	....	....	..	1	29	2	....	7	18	1	64	35 00	5 00	404 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Evert J. Blekkink	45	....	6	3	..	....	49	2	....	....	....	1	70	9 38	4 11	940 96	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Philip Phelps, Jr., S.S	10	....	....	....	..	1	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	350 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Gallupville	Frank A. Force	32	....	5	1	..	1	51	1	....	13	....	1	69	7 51	.....	404 75	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	Vacant	61	....	....	....	..	....	120	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Gilboa, N. Y.
Howe's Cave	Theo. A. Beekman	63	5	2	4	..	1	55	4	2	11	....	1	110	45 00	6 00	535 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	Evert J. Blekkink	47	1	2	1	..	1	70	....	1	....	25	2	160	74 81	5 53	825 54	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Charles W. Pitcher	100	7	1	2	..	1	163	....	6	....	40	1	125	136 70	34 00	1,218 55	Middleburgh, N. Y.
Moresville	Vacant	12	....	....	....	..	....	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	2 07	.....	Grand Gorge, N. Y.
North Blenheim	Philip Phelps, Jr.	40	2	....	1	..	2	55	....	....	....	....	1	51	36 00	.....	320 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	Vacant	42	4	....	....	..	6	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	400 00	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	John G. Smart	60	1	2	4	..	4	135	2	....	11	....	1	116	168 47	68 78	1,141 08	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Philip T. Phelps	61	2	....	2	..	4	112	....	2	....	....	1	107	47 40	9 00	668 50	Sharon Center, N. Y.
South Gilboa	Vacant	28	....	1	1	..	2	64	1	11	....	....	1	55	5 00	.....	325 00	South Gilboa, N. Y.
Total		716	53	20	26	..	34	1169	12	30	90	108	14	1153	$ 705 48	$147 06	$9,338 38	

Other Ministers.—Rev. Edward Miller, Lawyersville, N. Y.; Rev. Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; Rev. John S. Lott, 54 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. John G. Fagg, Amoy, China; Rev. D. K. Van Doren, Mechanicville, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	Vacant	119	4	....	3	..	3	218	16	....	16	50	2	140	$21 58	.....	$716 20	Fawns, N. Y.
Cantsban	A. J. Sebring	100	7	....	2	..	6	172	4	1	101	92	1	106	607 12	$212 96	1,876 78	Saugerties, N. Y.
Esopus	Vacant	95	....	....	4	..	5	196	6	....	....	....	2	210	183 12	58 26	705 00	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWitt	94	18	3	7	..	2	179	10	5	78	50	4	315	128 41	.....	1,260 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Kingston	John G. VanSlyke	235	19	6	1	..	20	595	10	5	....	....	1	325	826 98	113 06	5,68: 53	Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen	B. C. Lippincott, S. C.	100	2	....	4	1	5	224	5	1	....	....	1	225	140 26	26 00	1,250 00	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	Vacant	122	....	....	....	1	4	250	16	....	....	....	3	200	42 36	.....	901 40	Cockburn, N. Y.
Roxbury	N. H. Demarest	72	1	4	2	..	2	80	5	1	....	....	1	60	62 65	6 65	847 25	Roxbury, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	200	44	23	8	..	1	400	4	15	45	....	1	241	645 00	350 00	2,845 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	C. W. Kinney	48	26	3	3	..	2	44	4	19	....	....	1	60	21 00	.....	400 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	C. W. Kinney	90	11	4	5	..	1	124	8	2	....	....	1	90	44 80	.....	463 16	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	R. M. Stanbrough	12	1	....	....	..	....	21	....	....	....	....	1	50	3 01	.....	142 55	West Hurley, N. Y.
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Wiltwyck	J. Edgar Winne, S. S.	43	10	....	1	..	1	88	5	4	....	....	1	175	.....	88 08	282 27	Kingston, N. Y.
Woodstock	Henry Boggis	65	1	....	8	..	....	100	2	....	....	....	1	110	11 27	.....	620 48	Woodstock, N. Y.
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Other Ministers—Cornelius VanSantvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; Rev. Calvin Case, Brodhead, N, Y.; Rev. N. F. Chapman, Saugerties, N. Y.
Candidates—W. A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; Peter Q. Wilson, Ephratah, N. Y.; S. T. Cole, Katrine, N. Y. *Revised List.

Classis of Montgomery.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. J. R. Kyle,	Rev. H. H. Sangree,
" J. C. Boyd,	" R. A. Pearse,
" Mark A. Denman,	" J. A. Thompson,
" J. A. DeBaun,	" J. G. Gebhard,
" H. D. B. Mulford,	" E. A. McCullum,
" F. T. Van Vranken.	" D. F. Harris.
Elders.	*Elders.*
L. L. Dean,	G. C. Churchill,
Abram Van Horne,	P. DeForest,
Adam Smith,	Stephen Groff,
Edward S. Johnson,	J. J. Johnson,
Alfred DeGraff,	Walter Keller,
H. A. Diefendorf.	Cornelius Hoff.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck,	Rev. D. B. Wyckoff.
" Minor Swick,	" J. S. Schenck,
Theo. S. Brown.	" J. Laubenheimer.
Elders.	*Elders.*
Wm. H. Plass,	D. Phillips,
J. P. Van Buren,	W. J. Masten,
Theo. Hover.	W. H. Halsey.

Classis of Rochester.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. P. G. M. Bahler,	Rev. F. W. Palmer.
" G. H. Hospers,	" C. F. Porter,
" John Boehrer.	" P. Ihrman.
Elders.	*Elders.*
John Van Holde.	J. Van Der Boegh,
B. B. Dumont,	C. Van Hee,
S. O. Root.	F. Strong.

Classis of Saratoga.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. H. E. Cobb,	Rev. I. G. Ogden,
" F. C. Scoville,	" M. R. Gordon,
" E. C. Olney.	" O. H. Walser.

Elders.	*Elders.*
J, H. Harmon,	J. H. Viele,
C. W. Mayhew,	A. B. McBride,
D. J. Johnston.	Joseph Becker.

Classis of Schenectady.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. Robert Doig,	Rev. L. Van Derveer,
" C. P. Ditmars,	" Alexander Hill,
" B. B. Staats.	" Wm. P. Davis.
Elders.	*Elders.*
John Ellis,	Vischer Lansing,
John S. Lansing,	Robert Hurst,
Wendell Dorn.	Robert Best.

Classis of Schoharie.

Ministers	*Ministers*
Rev. D. K. Van Doren,	Rev. Charles W. Pitcher,
" Philip T. Phelps,	" Philip Phelps, Jr.,
" Theo. A. Beekman.	" Wm. A. Wurts.
Elders.	*Elders.*
Stephen J. Mereness,	W. E. Bassler,
George L. Danforth,	James Van Allen,
Jared Van Wagonen.	Washington Bergh.

Classis of Ulster.

Ministers.	*Ministers.*
Rev. Calvin Case,	Rev. B. C. Lippincott,
" J. G. Van Slyke,	" D. Wortman,
" N. F. Chapman.	" A. J. Sebring.
Elders.	*Elders.*
John I. Boice,	J. L. Hutchings,
D. Brodhead Hendricks.	J. H. Kemble,
Benj. M. Brink.	S. N. Fiero.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: From 9 to 11:45 A. M.; from 2 to 5 P. M.; from 7 P. M., until such time as Synod may adjourn.

The following appointments were made for the Communion on the afternoon of the second day.

To preside and read the form, the President of Synod; to distribute the bread, Rev. De Witt B. Wyckoff; to distribute the wine, Rev. H. D. B. Mulford; assisting elders, Vischer Lansing, W. L. M. Phelps, S. H. Van Dyck, Wm. Hayes.

On the evening of the first day an address was delivered by the Rev. J. G. Van Slyke, D. D., upon the subject of "Evangelistic work in relation to our Churches."

The first half hour of the second day was spent in devotional exercises under the direction of the Rev. Minor Swick.

The Rev. D. K. Van Doren, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, also Revs, L. D. Wells, E. L. Morey and Philip Couchman were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Resolved, That if it shall be, that the required majority has been given for the adoption of the Articles of the Federal Union with the Reformed church in the United States. This Synod would respectfully memorialize the General Synod as follows: (1) That it is the sense of this particular Synod, that a fourth part of the representatives to be chosen to represent our church in the annual meeting of the proposed Federal Synod, should be chosen from the Particular Synod of Albany. (2) That the Particular Synod of Albany be allowed to propose the names of its own representatives to the Federal Synod, subject to the ratification of the General Synod.

Resolved, That in view of the important work of the American Bible Society and its intimate relations to the work of Domestic and Foreign Missions of our church, this Synod most heartily commends the society to the benevolence of the churches in our Synod, urging them to make an annual contribution to this worthy object.

Resolved, That our meeting for 1893 be held in the Reformed Church of Canajoharie, N. Y.

Resolved, That in view of the failure of very many delegates to report themselves at the annual meetings of Synod, the Stated Clerk be directed to call especially the attention of the several Classes, to this serious neglect of their delegates, and that they be requested to have a care to be fully represented at all future Synods and in case of inability to be so represented, they present to the Synod a request, with reasons, for being excused from this important and imperative duty.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be instructed to have 425 copies of the minutes printed and distributed in the usual manner.

Resolved, That the most cordial thanks of this Synod be tendered to the pastor and consistory, and people of the Reformed Church of Schoharie, for their hospitable entertainment which they have furnished this body.

ARTICLE XII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The minutes were read and approved. The roll was called and all absentees were excused.

ARTICLE XIII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the Reformed Church of Canajoharie on the first Tuesday in May, 1893, at such hours as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with prayer by the Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck and the benediction by the President.

PHILIP FURBECK, *President.*
H. D. B. MULFORD, *Vice-President.*

P. K. HAGEMAN,
GEO. W. FURBECK, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the Minutes.

C. P. DITMARS, *Stated Clerk*

PRESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1864–1892.

1864.	Rev.	J. B. TenEyck, Schodack Landing.
1865.	"	J. A. Lansing, D. D., Fonda.
1866.	"	Chas. Scott, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1867.	"	John L. McNair, 2nd Albany.
1868.	"	Philip Peltz, D. D., Saugerties.
1869.	"	B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
1870.	"	John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North).
1871.	"	S. J. Rodgers, Kinderhook.
1872.	"	R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873.	"	J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874.	"	Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875.	"	Lartin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876.	"	J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy (South).
1877.	"	Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878.	"	J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879.	"	Edw. A. Collier, D. D., Chatham Village.
1880.	"	George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881.	"	John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
1882.	"	Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883.	"	Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884.	"	Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885.	"	Andrew J. Hageman, Fort Plain.
1886.	"	James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
1887.	"	Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
1888.	"	John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889.	"	Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890.	"	Denis Wortman, D. D., 2nd Schenectady.
1891.	"	F. S. Barnum, 2nd Coxsackie.
1892.	"	Philip Furbeck, Schoharie.

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session, May 2d, 1893, at 7 P. M., in the Reformed Church, at Canajoharie, N. Y., and continued in session until 9:45 P. M., on Wednesday, May 3rd.

The Synod was called to order by the retiring Vice-President, the Rev. H. D. B. Mulford, who preached the Synodical sermon, taking as his text, Matt. 16: 3.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were present :

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev C. P. Evans.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. W. W. Schomp,	F. R. Lape,
" F. S. Barnum,	S. T. Burroughs,
" B. Van Zandt, D. D.,	Frederick Sax.

From the Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. Mark A. Denman,	N. W. Donnan,
" Ira Van Allen,	
" Jas. A. Beattie,	

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. J. Howard Van Doren,	H. D. Kittle,
" Minor Swick,	

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. J. Van Westenberg.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. N. J. Gulick,	S. D. Fonda,
" Geo. E. Macardle,	H. McGaffin,
" Oliver H. Walser,	

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. Philip H. Cole,	John Fort,
" B. B. Staats,	R. D. Groot,
" Alexander Hill,	A. D. Bradt,
" C. P. Ditmars,	John Ellis.

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. P. T. Phelps,	S. K. Campbell,
" Philip Phelps, D. D.	
" D. K. Van Doren.	

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. J. E. Winne,	P. M. Gillespie,
" C. Van Santvoord, D.D.	

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Rev. Philip Phelps, D. D., was chosen President. The Rev. B. B. Staats, Vice President, and the Rev's. J. Van Westenberg and P. T. Phelps, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed :

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. Philip H. Cole,	Frederick Sax,
" C. P. Evans,	H. McGaffin.
" O. H. Walser.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. W. W. Schomp,	P. M. Gillespie,
" Alex. Hill,	F. R. Lape,
" J. A. Beattie.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. F. S. Barnum,	S. D. Fonda,
" B. Van Zandt, D. D.	S. K. Campell,
" Ira Van Allen.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. C. Van Santvoord, D.D.	S. T. Burroughs,
" J. Van Westenberg,	John Ellis,
" C. P. Ditmars.	

On the Treasury.

Rev. D. K. Van Doren,	N. W. Donnan,
" Geo. E. Macardle,	H. D. Kittle,
" W. W. Schomp.	

On Nominations.

Rev. N. J. Gulick,	R. D. Groot,
" J. E. Winne,	S. T. Burroughs,
" Geo. E. Macardle.	

On Necrology.

Rev. John A. DeBaun, D. D.

On Religious Exercises.

Rev. Ira Van Allen,	John Fort,
" M. A. Denman,	S. K. Campbell,
" Alex. Hill.	

On Missions.

Rev. J. Howard Van Doren,	H. D. Kittle,
" B. B. Staats,	P. M. Gillespie,
" P. T. Phelps.	

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. Minor Swick, N. W. Donnan,
" J. A. Beattie, A. D. Bradt,
" Philip H. Cole.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's accounts and vouchers were read, and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The lists of Delegates, nominated by the several Classes, to the General Synod, were received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Synodical Missionary Superintendent was received and read, and referred to the Committee on Missions.

ARTICLE VII

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the minutes of General Synod and of the Particular Synods of New York, New Brunswick, and Chicago, were received.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods.

New York, Rev. Philip H. Cole.

New Brunswick, Rev. Oliver H. Walser.

Chicago, Rev. Mark A. Denman.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE.

The following reports were accepted and adopted.

On Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology respectfully report:

The Rev. Robert Doig, pastor of the Church of Scotia, Classis of Schenectady, died at Pleasant Plains, N. J., June 15, 1892.

Mr. Doig, in his early manhood, engaged in mercantile pursuits with good prospects of a successful career, but becoming irresistably impressed with a conviction of duty to serve his Saviour in the Ministry of the Gospel, he gave up his business and entered Rutger's

College in 1865. Pursuing his studies under many difficulties, and what to many a man in his circumstances would have been discouragements, he graduated from College in 1869, and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1872, and was licensed in that year by the Classis of Bergen. Being called to the pastorate of the united Churches of Berne and Beaver Dam, in the Classis of Schoharie, he was ordained there in the autumn of 1872, and remained in that charge for thirteen years. He was a faithful painstaking, laborious pastor, making full proof of his ministry, and receiving many precious tokens that his labor was not in vain in the Lord. For much of that time he was Stated Clerk of his Classis, in which office he was distinguished by his accuracy, punctuality. and ecclesiastical sagacity. In 1885 he accepted the call of the Church of Scotia, where he continued his faithful and deeply consciencious work for Christ and for souls, with the added power of his past experience, And here too, he reaped much precious fruit in the conversion of the impenitent and the edification of the body of Christ. He was modest and retiring in manner, but transparently whole-souled and consecrated, and he won the affectionate confidence, not only of his own people, but of all with whom he was brought in contact. A Schenectady daily paper said, what might have been spoken for a very much wider community, —"his untimely death is received here with as much sorrow as in our neighboring village on the other side of the Mohawk river."

He was sent as a delegate from his Classis to the General Synod. He had been suffering for several years from an organic disease, and in addition, at the time of going to Synod had a sore foot which, although painful, he regarded simply as an annoyance. But it grew much worse during the journey, and after a few days he felt it necessary to retire from the Synod and return home. On the sixth day of the Session he

was excused, and went to relatives at Pleasant Plains for a little rest before his return. But there the inflamation, aggravated perhaps by his disease developed blood-poisoning, and his journey was longer and quicker than he had thought to a better home and a more enduring rest. His work was done, his trials over, and—as he might well have wished—he died with the harness on: one week painfully discharging very important duty of his office, the next week crowned by the Captain of our Salvation. His precious memory will long endure in the Church general, in the particular churches which he served so successfully, and in the hearts of the many he won for Christ. Meantime, we remember his family with sympathy and with sincerest congratulations that they had such a husband—such a father.

The Rev. Nathan Farnham Chapman died at Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 27th, 1893, in the 82d year of his age.

He was born at Westbrook, Conn., of a Puritan family, which settled in that place in 1635. His grandfather was an officer in the American army during the Revolutionary war, his father was captain of a French vessel, and died in the Bermudas. Mr. Chapman received his Collegiate education at Easton, at New York University, and at Rutger's, from which latter College he graduated in 1844, and from the Theological Seminary in New Brunswick, in 1846. He was licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick, and served first, for two years, as Missionary at Keyport, N. J. In 1848 he was called to Canajoharie, and remained there for four years. Then he was pastor at Plattekill, until 1864, and at Katsbaan, from 1864 to 1873. He was pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Mt. Paran, Md., from 1873 to 1880, when he retired from the pastorate and returned to spend his remaining days in the neighborhood of his old Ulster County

charges, living a few years at West Camp, and finally at Saugerties. Dr. Wortman, who had affectionate knowledge of him in his last restful years, testifies: "His pastorates were all successful ones, in which, but with large publicity, but with quiet, faithful, loving work, he did the Master's will, preached the pure, unadulterated Word of the Lord and ministered as a living sympathetic pastor and counsellor among an appreciative people, building up Christians in the faith and gathering from the world into Christ's fold. His last years have been spent in the home of his daughter Mrs. Addison Brainard, she and her husband cheering his age with every attention and ministry of love. He leaves behind the sweet fragrance of a beautiful and well-spent life. His record may well be, "a faithful minister of Jesus Christ."

The Consistory of the Church of Katsbaan, said of their former pastor: "We recall with thanksgiving to God, and grateful memory of the deceased, the nine years of his pastorate among us and record our high esteem of his usefulness as a faithful minister of the Gospel. We recognize in his manner of life an exemplification of the loving spirit of the Christian faith, and in the kind and conciliatory methods of his pastorate the means by which our Church was brought into a peaceful and prosperous condition."

In regard to both of these dear brethren whose work on earth is finished—the one in his prime and the other in the ripeness of his age—there seems to us no presumption, but only the echo of the Master's welcome, in saying "Well done good and faithful servants."

J. A. DeBaun,
Chairman.

2nd. The report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence, page 587, and following. We would call the special attention of Synod to the following statement: "The ideal is that each individual in each congregation should regularly contribute a definite sum, however small, as an offering to the Lord through the church. The objects to which such gifts shall be applied may, or may not, be designated by the giver. The end at which it is important to aim is the cultivation of the habit of thoughtful, conscientious and systematic giving on the part of each individual, whatever use may be made of the funds thus provided. The true principle is regular giving by all, instead of spasmodic giving by a few.

PHILIP H. COLE,
Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee on the minutes of Classis would report that the minutes of all the Classes of this Synod have been placed in their hands and carefully examined.

The Minutes appear to be correctly kept, and in the estimation of your Committee, nothing deserves the attention of this Synod except "Answers on Ministerial Faithfulness."

Your Committee would recommend that the attention of those Classes within whose bounds question two is quite generally answered in the negative by the Churches, be called to the evident neglect on the part of pastors, and that the Classes be urged to secure a more general observance of this constitutional requirement.

This recommendation should be urged since in one Classis only one church answers "yes" to this question and in two other Classes only two give an affirmative reply.

WM. W. SCHOMP,
Chairman.

On Missions.

Your committee would report as follows:

1.—The report of the Synodical Missionary Agent, Rev. J. H. Enders, reveals the growth of the church within our bounds, and adds additional justification of this new plan of denominational aggressive work. Four new churches have been organized during the past year; all, enterprises of much promise. Besides, old churches, notably Rotterdam, South Gilboa, Grand Gorge are manifesting new life and increased efficiency. Several of the new churches are building commodious and attractive church houses. Twelve churches have been helped in securing pastors. This last fact means more of benefit to the churches thus blessed, and to the Synod than can well be told. All of these churches comprised in the report give evidence of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit and some of them have been notably blessed. In regard to this work in our Synod we offer the following :

Resolved, That our devoted and successful Missionary, Rev. J. H. Enders, and the new enterprises under his care be recommended to all our churches for increased liberality and more earnest prayer.

2.—While no communications have come before Synod in reference to the broader Missionary work of our Reformed church, yet the growing importance, and urgent demands of the Kingdom of Christ, and the manifest signs of the times make it proper to call our churches to new consecration, to Missionary work. We are to hasten the coming of the Lord. We are to Christianize our own land. We are to save a lost world. As pastors and elders we are to quicken our churches to larger beneficence and to prevailing prayer. As a rule, churches are what their pastors, and consistories make them. If these churches are laggard the fault is in their leaders.

Your committee would record with profound gratitude the removal of the incubus of debt from our

Mission Board; with the sincere hope that the proposed new method of gathering funds may successfully bar the door against any recurrence of this calamity. We cannot improve upon the Lord's own way of beneficence: "On the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store as the Lord hath prospered him."

1.—*Resolved*, That the plan of General Synod's Committee on systematic beneficence be heartily commended to the several churches of our Synod, as furnishing a very practical method of calling forth the ability of the churches and of assuring an adequate financial support to our mission work.

2.—*Resolved*, That the Mission work in our peculiar fields, at home or abroad, be urged anew upon all our churches, and that our pastors and elders especially are urged, as leaders of the Lord's hosts, to secure advanced efforts and larger liberality and more prevailing supplications to the Lord of the Harvest and thus hasten the fulness of that kingdom in which God shall be all in all."

J. HOWARD VAN DOREN,
Chairman.

On Synodical Report.

The Committee on the State of Religion in the Churches of this Synod would respectfully report that the usual narratives, statistical tables and lists of changes in the ministry have been received from and through the Stated Clerks of Classes.

The Classes of Albany we regret to say, sends to Synod a meagre and inaccurate report. The Chairman of their Committee says in his report to Classis. "Through lack of definite information in the Consistorial reports of the different Churches, it is impossible to give a satisfactory statement of the religious condition of the Churches of the Classis." This statistical report contains errors of addition in eight

of its sixteen columns. These errors have been corrected, and the revisions better the showing of Classis.

The Classis of Greene. The First Church of Athens reports the settling of a new pastor, a flourishing condition of the various organizations, and a hopeful spirit. Second Athens is thankful for a number of conversions and that death has spared every one of the membership. Catskill sends only a statistical report because of the illness of the pastor, First Coxsackie. The pastor has been absent during the latter part of the year for the recovery of his health Yet marked progress has been accomplished, the Church edifice having been greatly beautified at a cost of $2,500, and no communion season having passed without additions. Second Coxsackie, reports a year of uninterrupted activity with good results. Kiskatom is still without pastor but she rejoices in tokens of the Holy Spirits presence. Leeds reports special Evangelistic services and a great blessing.

Classis of Montgomery. Seven Churches make no report to Classis, but of these seven, three are not really alive. The First Church of Amsterdam reports a noteworthy increase in benevolence and "an organization of young men to foster the Sabbath evening attendance. Cranesville report a year of remarkable prosperity, $540 raised for land and a lecture room, and ten members added to the Church. Currytown laments the impending removal of her pastor. East Palatine. This young Church reports an increase in all contributions but the loss of an elder and deacon by removal. Fonda, the largest Church in the Classis. reports an excellent financial and working condition, but more deaths and removals than accessions. Fort Plain reports positive growth in attendance, conversions, contributions. Fultonville, under its new pastor, has a report in the same key. Herkimer also has done great things and in the growth of the town

her prospects are bright. Mohawk too has manifested new life. Owasco Outlet has a settled pastor after three years of deprivation, and the work is very encouraging. In the reports of the other Churches there is little of special note except an increase in contributions occasionally quite remarkable.

Classis of Rensselaer. We have from this Classis a very excellent generalized report. Harmony prevails in all the Churches, and a good financial condition. While the usual means of grace have been enjoyed there has been no marked ingathering of souls. A new Church has been started at Bath-on-the-Hudson. Interest in Missions is on the increase and the Sabbath School and Christian Endeavor work is of larger extent and power for good. The following is a significant paragraph: "We cannot but notice the great difference in contributions to denominational objects as reported from different Churches. The average per member runs as high as $6.50, as low as $.36. This difference can hardly be altogether due to the different distribution of wealth. There must be a reason found in the past history, training and education of the Churches." And the report concludes: "The review of the year is pleasant enough in its negative aspects, but painful in its positive aspects. The Churches have all the means of grace, and are in peace, but the ingathering is painfully scant."

Classis of Rochester. We have a detailed report concerning nearly all of the churches of this Classis, but there is little of note in some of them and a note of sadness in others. On the other hand the rapidity and vigor of growth displayed by the new church at *Brighton* and the increased contributions of Classis are encouraging features. Valued pastors have been called away to other fields of labor and Classis is praying that their places may be filled. The statistics of this Classis show, in the main, an increase.

Classis of Saratoga. Only two churches of this Classis made any other report to Classis than that contained in "versatile, equivocal figures," as the chairman puts it. On this basis the voluminous report is constructed, but as it is largely a lecture in a vein of playful seriousness it need not be largely quoted from. The churches of Boght and Cohoes are commended for their good work. Mention is made of the South Church of West Troy as follows: "The members feel in duty bound to keep up their organization." This Classis suffers for the lack of pastors.

Classis of Schenectady. This careful report contains many resolutions for adoption and a long discussion of the relations of the churches to the benevolences of the denomination. The Schenectady Churches are flourishing and the infant church at Mount Pleasant, a suburb of that city, is growing rapidly. It is pleasant to quote the closing sentence of this part of the Chairman's report: "The marked feature of nearly all of these reports is the fruitfulness of the past year and the hopefulness of the future."

Classis of Schoharie. Some of these reports are highly encouraging. Central Bridge reports a spiritual awaking among its young people and more money raised during this year than any other. Cobleskill considers its financial outlook so encouraging that she deems it possible to become self-supporting. Gallupville reports a time of refreshing since January and consequently an increase in gifts. Good reports from Howe's Cave and Lawyersville. Middleburgh reports a growth in every way over last year. Schoharie is hopeful for a blessing upon the labors of her pastor elect. The Classis feels that the year has been a good one.

Classis of Ulster. We quote as follows: "The year has not been one of unusual ingathering—only

one church reports a revival—several speak of the good work of the Christian Endeavor Society. We may say as a Classis the Lord has been with us and blessed us."

In this resume of the Classical Reports, which some of the brethen may consider too cursory, your committee has been influenced by the desire not to make a long report upon what has not been a very eventful year. We have to deal only with the figures and reports as they come to us. Matters of the greatest moment may have been started and souls of the greatest promise may have been converted during the past year within our borders ; but on the face of the returns we cannot see many great things. The Synod is larger by two churches than last year. She has three less on the roll of ministers, and two more in the total of families. There is an increase in the total of accessions to membership of 141, and the total now in communion is more by 98 than last year's report. The enrollment in the Sabbath Schools is greater by 62. When we turn to the contributions we find an increase of about $5,500 given to Denominational Objects, probably due to the efforts made to liquidate the debts of the Mission Boards. About $2,000 less has been given to other objects. A remarkable similarity obtains in the sum for Congregational Expenses, $208,600 being in round numbers the figures for this year as for the one preceding.

It is very evident from these reports that our people appreciate the means of grace in their spiritual homes, that their interest in the various works of the Church is growing, and that here and there results have been achieved such as we long to see everywhere. Is not our great need, as a Synod of nearly one hundred and fifty Churches,and over twenty-one thousand members, the willingness to be taught of God in holier living and to be led of the spirit into larger consecrations ?

Shall we not cease to rob God and to prove him now if he will not open the windows of heaven and pour us out a blessing!

We present the Statistical Table of the Synod which will indicate its comparisons and lessons to all who will read it and compare it with former ones; and also the lists of the Ecclesiastical changes. Your Committee would submit the following Resolutions for consideration and action.

Resolved, Synod laments the carelessness that appears in the preparation of some of the statistical tables,—notably of the Classis of Albany, as referred to above.

Synod also laments that so many of the Churches neglect to send specific reports of the spiritual condition, whereby the Synodical Committee would be able to present a satisfactory view of the progress of God's cause in the Churches of Synod. For instance, only two of the Churches in the Classis of Saratoga sent any written report to their Classical Committee, and some Churches in other Clasess have been equally delinquent.

The impossibility of truthfully presenting the religious and material condition of the churches is apparent, upon the bare statement of such neglect, and Synod feels that a thorough reform is called for, and it affectionately urges the attention of the Classes and Consistories to this subject.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to call attention of the Classes to the above, and to request that it be read at the Fall meeting.

H. D. B. MUFFORD,

Chairman.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	400	33	28	23	..	14	686	7	5	....	....	1	350	3,628 39	968 78	10,892 67	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Vacant	325	7	5	17	..	11	519	3	4	....	....	2	475	7,194 02	2,645 56	12,042 73	Albany, N. Y.
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	125	6	1	7	..	5	170	6	1	....	....	1	175	125 00	100 00	2,200 00	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	83	8	2	....	..	....	‡109	27	1	19	14	1	151	66 64	5 00	*8,632 75	Albany, N. Y.
Holland Albany	Vacant	....	....	4	3	..	1	‡143	4	....	....	40	1	136	115 00	90 00	.....	Albany, N. Y.
First Bethlehem	W. H. Nasholds	157	2	2	2	..	8	‡212	3	....	....	....	4	340	175 00	35 00	1,525 00	Beckers Corners.
Second Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, S. C.	100	3	2	2	..	7	231	15	1	....	85	1	150	250 00	....	1,200 00	Delmar, N. Y.
Second Berne	A. Parsons	32	....	....	2	..	2	66	....	....	....	14	1	80	14 50	20 00	364 50	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	A. Parsons	28	1	....	....	..	1	56	....	....	....	15	1	75	48 10	5 00	415 50	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	Thomas E. Morton	52	....	....	2	..	1	75	....	....	....	....	1	120	10 00	.....	424 49	New Salem, N. Y.
† Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	110	9	3	7	..	5	192	7	4	....	114	1	114	215 02	.....	2,582 64	Coeymans, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant	40	....	1	....	..	4	50	....	....	....	....	1	35	.....	.....	131 00	Presquethaw, N. Y.
Jerusalem	John H. Scarlet	70	7	....	3	..	1	153	4	....	....	....	1	100	36 83	41 62	950 08	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem	Thomas E. Morton	105	....	....	6	..	1	160	2	....	61	150	1	150	3 98	15 98	545 02	New Salem, N. Y.
Union	John H. Scarlet	40	....	....	....	..	1	32	....	....	....	51	1	58	9 32	.....	282 38	Union, N. Y.
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	100	3	....	5	..	1	169	....	1	....	....	1	149	282 09	29 67	2,148 12	New Baltimore, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	
	Total	1767	79	48	79	..	63	3023	78	17	80	483	20	2658	$12,173 89	$3,956 61	$44,336 88	

Other Ministers.—Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore; Rev. A. Dickson, Lansingburgh; Rev. J. H. Enders, Fort Hunter, Synodical Miss. Supt.; Rev. C. P. Evans, Albany, N. Y.

‡Revised List. †Last Year's Report. *Church Built.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Athens	Wm. W. Schomp	98	1	1	5	..	4	*163	3	1	....	....	2	175	$312 34	$15 61	$1,790 10	Athens, N. Y.
Second Athens	C. M. Perlee, S. S.	20	4	1	....	..	....	26	1	4	10	....	1	65	18 94	.....	194 11	Leeds, N. Y.
First Catskill	Evert Van Slyke	195	5	3	10	..	6	610	12	....	274	300	1	300	1,327 45	989 03	4,081 58	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	P. K. Hageman	100	5	4	2	..	4	201	5	3	40	100	3	225	244 57	17 28	2,612 00	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, (S. C.).	145	3	5	6	..	6	275	12	3	.....	.....	2	220	1,018 84	63 00	2,900 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Vacant	65	....	....	....	..	4	*191	....	....	30	25	3	115	119 46	.....	388 64	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	70	16	1	1	..	1	115	5	4	23	....	+3	195	173 16	.....	1,070 09	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		693	34	15	24	..	25	1581	38	15	377	425	15	1295	$3,209 76	$1,084 92	$13,036 52	

Other Ministers—B. Van Zandt, Catskill, N. Y.; Arthur J. Smith, 697 East 135th St., New York City. *Revised List. +2 Union.

Students—Edward O. Chickering, Henry C. Cussler.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam	Joshua R. Kyle	102	1	2	6	..	2	175	7	.....	.....	98	1	222	$382	$78	1,825	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Amsterdam, Trinity	James A. Beattie	25	8	20	....	..	....	28	2	3	....	....	1	55	19	25	1,060	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. Campbell Boyd, S.S.	43	3	1	....	..	2	68	....	2	11	94	1	94	38	11	406	Fonda, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Mark A. Denman	175	5	5	2	..	1	310	....	....	....	....	1	175	211	10	2,000	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Canastota	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
Chittenango	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
Cicero	Vacant	30	....	....	1	..	....	24	....	....	....	....	....	70	....	....	....	
Columbia	Vacant	*37	....	....	....	..	....	51	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
Cranesville		40	9	1	3	..	....	49	....	....	....	....	1	60	17	....	921	
Currytown	Henry H. Sangree	29	....	....	....	..	1	72	3	7	33	40	1	51	224	22	777	Currytown, N. Y.
East Palatine	John A. Thomson	28	3	....	1	..	1	19	....	3	....	9	1	40	16	5	208	Sprakers, N. Y.
Ephratah		70	5	....	2	..	....	50	2	1	....	....	2	90	....	....	4	850	
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	1	1	1	..	1	100	1	1	....	....	1	158	103	10	1,000	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	John A. De Baun	214	9	3	11	..	9	421	4	6	....	210	2	350	542	251	2,405	Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Albert D. Minor	20	....	....	....	..	0	15	....	....	....	....	1	40	4	....	85	Mohawk, N. Y.
Fort Plain	Edward A. Mc Cullom	170	28	11	5	..	7	275	31	19	90	85	1	200	436	197	3,786	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	William Schmitz	118	13	3	†10	..	2	‡119	6	9	....	....	1	185	448	73	2,403	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	Joseph B. Thyne, S.S.	62	2	4	1	..	2	82	5	2	....	50	2	190	176	47	968	Johnstown, N. Y.
Hagaman's Mills	Vacant	68	....	....	3	..	2	123	5	....	....	60	1	111	50	15	1,391	
Henderson	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
Herkimer	John G. Gebhard, S. C.	208	15	15	1	2	4	244	17	9	65	135	1	150	553	98	1,936	Herkimer, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY, (CONTINUED.)

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Manheim	Fred. W. Ruhl, P. E.	25	....	....	6	..	....	37	....	....	....	....	1	36	.....	.....	300	East Creek, N. Y.
Mapletown	Henry H. Saugree	*20	....	....	....	..	....	*29	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Currytown, N. Y.
Mohawk	Ira VanAllen	79	12	....	1	..	....	126	....	6	....	....	1	149	43	38	1,685	Mohawk, N. Y.
Naumburgh	.....	12	....	....	....	..	1	25	....	....	....	....	....	.....	3	.....	145	
New Bremen	.....	8	....	....	....	..	....	15	....	....	....	....	....	.....	13	.....	12	
Owasco	.....	*85	....	....	....	..	....	*129	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Owasco Outlet	Charles Maar	35	....	....	2	..	....	58	....	....	....	....	2	75	38	67	705	Auburn, N. Y.
Point Rock	Fred. E. Schleider, S. S.	*14	6	....	1	..	2	27	1	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Leyden, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	Chas. W. Kinney, P. E.	121	4	3	3	..	1	*217	7	....	....	....	1	141	46	6	1,025	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	J. A. Thompson, P. E.	54	5	1	1	..	....	83	....	4	....	73	1	73	164	34	668	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Syracuse	H. DuBois Mulford	170	5	5	4	3	5	329	8	1	....	316	1	360	1,431	876	5,273	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Isles	George Z. Collier	100	8	....	2	..	3	99	1	5	34	50	1	108	301	125	1,119	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Oren Root	57	3	1	1	..	2	144	....	....	....	....	1	113	320	.....	4,018	Clinton, N. Y.
West Leyden	Fred. E. Schlieder	30	2	....	....	..	2	47	9	....	....	....	1	35	42	.....	307	West Leyden, N. Y.
Total	.....	2319	147	76	68	5	50	3590	109	78	233	1215	29	3331	$5,620	$1,992	$37,278	

Other Ministere—Rev. Joseph Knieskern, Courtland, N. Y.,, Rev. R. R. Williams, Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. David Lord, Jordanville, N. Y., Rev. Guido F. Verbeck, Tokio, Japan.

*Last year's report. †Eight to new Baptist organization. ‡Revised list.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	J. H. Van Doren, S.S.	26	6	14	....	..	....	20	....	1	....	20	1	100	$25	.....	$746	Bath-on-Hudson, N.Y.
Blooming Grove	Minor Swick, S.S.	65	11	....	3	..	5	82	....	2	....	15	1	90	177	$16	1,016	Defriestville, N. Y.
Emmanuel, Castleton	Vacant	110	5	10	5	..	2	229	....	3	....	165	4	390	213	180	2,255	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Theo. S. Brown, S.S.	105	2	5	2	..	4	*177	....	....	....	....	1	194	445	45	1,911	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	Dewitt B. Wyckoff	74	2	2	3	..	3	123	5	2	50	25	2	120	280	12	1,214	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Isaac S. Schenck	75	3	2	1	..	1	171	6	2	....	....	1	100	64	19	1,110	Stockport, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	100	10	4	7	..	5	*210	5	4	....	....	1	133	257	25	1,896	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier, S.C.	145	4	6	4	1	3	*271	2	2	....	60	1	156	1,785	230	4,938	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	130	6	4	6	..	3	220	3	5	....	....	1	142	182	20	1,368	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Vacant	24	....	1	1	..	2	46	....	....	....	....	1	40	6	.....	193	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	John F. Shaw	80	1	....	2	..	1	151	....	....	....	....	2	170	273	.....	1,200	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Josiah E. Crane	94	2	2	6	..	2	*134	4	....	....	....	1	130	293	35	1,277	Schodack Landing, N.Y.
Stuyvesant	George W. Furbeck	60	3	3	2	..	1	107	6	1	....	....	1	75	300	38	1,610	Stuyvesant N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	Louis Hieber	45	13	3	....	..	6	70	15	4	70	....	1	70	58	5	738	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
Total		1133	68	56	42	1	38	2011	46	26	120	285	19	1910	$4,358	$625	$214 72	

Other Ministers—Rev. Elbert Nevius, retired, Stuyvesant, N. Y., Rev. John B. Drury, D. D., *Ed. Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J,

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe Church	Vacant	87	8	1	2	0	5	194	6	....	....	30	1	110	$74 73	$19 35	974 00	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	Vacant	40	16	5	6	1	....	110	....	....	....	....	1	89	43 10	36 00	388 00	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	J. Van Westenburg,	*61	38	67	0	0	2	103	21	....	128	61	1	172	51 11	1 50	768 13	Brighton, N. Y.
Clymer	P. G. M. Bahler	84	2	0	1	6	2	180	5	....	207	45	1	87	160 25	17 73	893 48	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	M. Ossewarde	‡120	19	16	20	..	6	258	21	1	275	50	1	123	197 45	54 03	1,243 76	E. Williamson, N. Y.
Christ Ch. Buffalo	John Boehrer	27	3	2	0	1	....	52	12	....	85	7	1	40	25 52	.....	‡513 66	47 Barthel St. Buffalo.
Farmer	Vacant	146	12	2	3	..	1	250	....	6	....	....	1	196	289 55	311 58	2,221 07	Farmer, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	4	5	0	..	4	185	....	2	....	....	1	153	244 64	35 00	1,341 75	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	P. Ihrman	132	3	1	0	..	9	279	13	..	259	55	1	195	139 31	.....	787 47	Marion, N. Y.
Palmyra	W. Lubach	60	20	3	0	..	....	150	20	....	....	30	1	90	75 00	24 00	437 50	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	83	0	0	0	..	7	155	9	....	....	....	1	80	72 12	.....	843 15	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	190	17	0	69	..	10	350	9	....	....	60	1	235	372 55	97 71	2,231 27	15 N. Av., Rochester.
Second Rochester	T. W. Hopkins, S. S	85	14	26	5	1	....	208	10	1	92	....	1	244	392 00	20 00	2,982 19	Monroe Av. Rochester
Tyre	Vacant	‡35	1	0	2	0	2	40	....	....	42	25	2	110	79 00	.....	250 00	Malcolm, N. Y.
Total		1250	157	128	108	9	48	2514	126	10	1088	363	15	1924	$2,216 60	$616 90	$15,875 43	

***Organized in June 1892, with 55 members.** **‡Last Year's Report.**

Other Ministers—Rev. A. M. Mann, Farmer, N. Y.; Rev. G. J. Renskers, Clymer, N. Y.; Rev. A. B. Veenhuzen, Emeritus, Pultneyville, N.Y.; Rev. C. P. Murray, Union Springs, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	George E. Macardel	36	3	....	3	..	3	69	3	3	....	63	1	89	$30 00	$21 90	$1,118 12	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Vacant	40	3	....	1	..	2	56	....	3	....	....	1	71	122 50	42 00	545 00	Buskirk's Bridge, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser	258	19	14	13	..	9	461	8	2	....	289	1	339	516 11	372 51	6,415 58	Cohoes, N. Y.
Fort Miller	John E. Hainer	56	34	1	....	..	2	124	....	18	....	....	1	90	40 00	97 40	473 86	Fort Miller, N. Y.
Gansevoort	N. J. Gulick	40	....	1	....	..	3	62	....	....	....	47	1	97	37 00	.....	200 00	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Northumberland	N. J. Gulick	50	2	4	....	..	2	100	....	1	....	25	1	125	90 00	25 00	800 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John E. Hainer	106	44	1	3	..	1	341	4	36	....	....	1	150	116 31	40 05	1,582 29	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	Vacant	41	1	....	2	..	1	85	....	1	....	....	1	60	24 15	.....	700 00	Reynolds, N. Y.
Union Village	Frank C. Scoville	90	4	7	1	1	4	185	....	3	....	....	1	105	254 73	5 00	2,800 00	Greenwich, N. Y.
West Troy, North	Vacant	170	13	4	3	..	5	281	8	2	....	....	1	225	445 84	89 98	3,554 46	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Vacant	37	....	....	....	..	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	75 00	.....	.....	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	Vacant	60	2	1	2	..	2	94	2	1	....	....	1	65	55 00	.....	1,290 00	Wynantskill, N. Y.
Total		984	125	33	28	1	34	1893	25	70	....	424	11	1416	$1,806 64	$693 84	$19,479 31	

Other Ministers.—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Middle Falls, Washington Co., N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.; Rev. George I. Taylor, 136 Fifth street, Newark, N. J.; Rev. I. G. Ogden, 112 W. 78th street, New York City; Rev. John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Schenectdy	Albert C. Sewall	325	8	19	7	..	12	493	9	2	....	....	3	661	$998 00	$70 00	6,036 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Second Schenectady	Philip H. Cole	205	19	32	8	..	5	303	8	7	....	....	1	300	475 00	69 00	4,318 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
First Glenville	Vacant	120	1	....	5	..	4	241	4	1	....	....	2	137	246 00	43 00	1,383 00	Glenville, N. Y.
Second Glenville	M. R. Gordon	79	....	1	....	..	5	152	2	....	....	20	2	200	106 00	203 00	950 00	Scotia, N. Y.
First Rotterdam	Alexander Hill	180	20	5	....	..	5	126	12	11	....	....	3	275	108 00	175 00	1,600 00	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Second Rotterdam	John Calvin Knox	60	9	1	6	1	3	108*	4	3	....	....	1	130	121 00	10 00	1,922 00	Schenectady. N. Y.
Helderberg-Altamont	Bergen B. Staats	180	18	13	7	..	6	406	2	2	190	146	4†	295	246 00	28 00	2,036 00	Guilderland Centre, N.Y
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars (S.C.)	125	10	5	....	2	5	256	2	2	107	160	2	275	551 00	7 00	1,400 00	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Lisha's Kill	Vacant	*45	6	1	3	..	....	124*	....	1	....	115	2	115	96 00	.....	858 00	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	75	....	3	6	..	1	126	2	....	....	125	1	130	76 00	4 00	936 00	Vischer's Ferry. N. Y.
Princetown‡	Vacant	105	....	....	....	..	....	265	....	....	....	....	2	....	.....	.....	.....	Giffords, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant	Lauren Van Derveer	40	15	29	....	..	....	44	6	4	....	....	1	127	7 00	.....	490 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Total		1539	106	109	43	3	46	2644	51	33	297	566	24	2645	$3,030 00	$609 00	$21,929 00	

Other Ministers—Rev. D. B. Hall, Duanesburgh, N. Y.; Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y.; Rev. Wm. P. Davis, Schenectady, N. Y.; Rev. Isaac L. Kip, New Brunswick, N. J., Supt. City Missions. *Revised. †Two of these are Union Schools. ‡Last Year's Report.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	Wm. A. Wurts, P.E.	44	....	....	5	..	2	65	....	....	25	....	1	58	17 63	.....	340 42	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	Wm. A. Wurts, P.E.	56	....	....	2	..	3	63	....	....	25	30	1	58	104 07	.....	567 67	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	Philip Phelps	42	....	....	....	..	2	67	....	....	....	....	1	102	32 00	23 00	502 00	North Blenheim, N.Y.
Central Bridge	Theo. A. Beekman.	27	8	....	3	..	....	34	2	5	11	6	1	65	44 00	6 00	782 00	Howe's Cave, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Evert J. Blekkink..	43	....	4	4	..	....	49	....	....	....	....	1	100	23 45	.....	750 00	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	*Vacant	10	....	....	....	..	1	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	350 00	Eminence, N. Y.
Gallupville	Frank A. Force....	34	13	5	1	..	1	70	2	7	16	....	1	84	22 54	2 00	626 33	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	*J. H. Scarlett, P. E.	61	....	....	....	..	....	120	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Gilboa, N. Y.
Howe's Cave	Theo. A. Beekman.	62	1	2	1	..	1	56	....	1	11	....	1	100	63 00	20 00	425 00	Howe's Cave, N. Y.
Lawyersville	Evert J. Blekkink..	50	....	2	....	..	3	69	....	....	....	....	2	150	88 84	.....	702 00	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Charles W. Pitcher	100	4	1	....	..	....	168	....	....	....	40	1	72	169 20	10 00	1,356 75	Middleburgh, N. Y.
Moresville	*Vacant	12	....	....	....	..	....	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	2 07	.....	Grand Gorge, N. Y.
North Blenheim	Philip Phelps	40	1	....	2	..	3	51	....	1	....	....	1	50	40 00	21 00	322 00	North Blenheim, N.Y.
Prattsville	*J. H. Scarlett, S. S.	42	4	....	....	..	6	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	400 00	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	Wm. C. Handy, P.E.	60	1	3	3	..	4	132	2	1	11	....	1	94	235 19	22 63	1,769 86	Schoharie. N. Y.
Sharon	Philip T. Phelps....	58	1	1	1	..	7	106	....	1	....	....	1	80	63 77	3 14	670 41	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	Vacant	26	2	2	....	..	....	68	5	1	....	....	1	45	10 78	.....	220 00	South Gilboa, N. Y.
Total		767	35	20	22		34	1174	11	17	99	76	14	1058	$ 934 47	$ 109 84	$ 9,784 44	

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Other Ministers—Rev. Edward Miller, Lawyersville, N. Y.; Rev. Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; Rev. John S. Lott, 54 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. Rev. John G. Fagg, Amoy, China; Rev. D. K. VanDoren, Dist. Supt. American Bible Society, Mechanicville, N. Y., S. C.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	Vacant	118	74	....	2	..	9	281	21	8	16	48	2	140	$20 35	.....	$251 76	Fawns, N. Y.
Esopus	H. P. E. Wheaton	93	1	4	4	..	1	173	3	....	....	....	2	216	99 02	$49 62	826 30	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWit	94	3	2	5	..	6	170	7	....	80	40	4	320	187 23	.....	1,170 00	Glasco. N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	100	9	....	....	..	4	177	4	1	101	....	1	106	746 06	216 16	1,392 00	Katsbaan, N. Y.
Kingston	J. G. Van Slyke	265	17	12	2	1	10	611	7	5	....	92	1	325	65 10	423 67	5,419 14	Kingston. N. Y.
Port Ewen	B. C. Lippincott, S. C.	100	9	1	1	3	4	227	3	....	....	....	1	218	168 75	4 30	1,348 00	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Roe	122	2	3	2	..	1	252	2	....	....	....	3	200	51 15	.....	1,382 00	Cockburn, N. Y.
Roxbury	N. H. Demarest	72	1	....	....	..	1	71	....	....	....	....	1	.....	45 82	9 50	*1,800 00	Roxbury, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	200	2	8	6	..	5	399	1	1	45	....	1	255	600 00	446 54	8,350 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	Vacant	48	....	....	....	..	....	44	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Shokan, N. Y.
Shoken	Vacant	90	7	1	1	..	3	128	1	7	....	....	1	92	.....	.....	1,050 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	R. M. Stanbrough	12	1	....	2	..	....	20	1	....	....	....	1	25	2 00	.....	153 27	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	R. M. Stanbrough	60	1	1	1	..	....	104	....	....	....	....	1	113	3 66	1 71	844 23	West Hurley, N. Y.
Wiltwyck	J. Edgar Winne	60	11	4	1	..	6	98	....	4	18	....	1	255	137 47	23 75	357 32	Kingston. N. Y.
Woodstock	Henry Boggis	65	4	....	1	..	....	103	1	....	....	....	1	120	6 59	.....	1,110 77	Woodstock, N. Y.
Total		1499	142	36	28	4	50	2858	51	26	260	180	21	2385	$2,933 20	$1,175 25	$25,455 24	

* $1,000 for building fund.

Other Ministers—Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y., Calvin Case, Broadhead, N. Y., W. A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y., Peter Q. Wilson, Ephratah, N.Y., S. T. Cole, Katrine, N. Y.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Classes.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Stated Clerks.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	17	14	....	1767	79	48	79	..	63	3023	78	17	80	483	30	2658	$12,173 89	$3,956 61	$44,336 88	J. Lansing Pearse,
Greene	7	7	....	693	34	15	24	..	25	1581	38	15	377	425	15	1295	3,209 76	1,084 92	13,036 52	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	36	25	....	2319	147	76	68	5	50	3590	109	78	233	1215	29	3331	5,620 00	1,992 00	37,278 00	John G. Gebhard.
Rensselaer	14	14	....	1133	68	56	42	1	38	2011	46	26	120	285	19	1910	4,358 00	625 00	21,472 00	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	14	14	....	1250	157	128	108	9	48	2514	126	10	1088	363	15	1924	2,216 60	616 90	15,875 43	J. Van Westenburg.
Saratoga	12	10	....	984	125	33	28	1	34	1893	25	70	....	424	11	1416	1,806 64	693 84	19,479 31	Oliver H. Walser.
Schenectady	12	13	....	1539	106	109	43	3	46	2644	51	33	297	566	24	2645	3,030 00	609 00	21,929 00	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	14	....	767	35	20	22	..	34	1174	11	17	99	76	14	1058	934 47	109 84	9,784 44	D. K. Van Doren.
Ulster	15	16	....	1499	142	36	28	4	50	2858	51	26	260	180	21	2385	2,933 20	1,175 25	25,455 24	B. C. Lippincott.
Total	144	127	....	11951	893	521	442	23	388	21288	535	292	2554	4017	168	18622	$36,282 56	$10,863 36	$208,646 82	

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Received.

Rev. Thomas E. Morton from the Classis of Monmouth, September 20, 1892.

Installed.

Rev. Thomas E. Morton, over the church of New Salem and Clarkville, October 11, 1892.

Dismissed.

Rev. George Thomas Dowling to Congregational Association, Boston, September 20, 1892.

Classis of Greene.

Received.

Rev. William W. Schomp from the Classis of Kingston, February 7, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. William W. Schomp, over the First Church of Athens, N. Y., February 7, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Barnes F. Ashley and the First church of Athens, N. Y., September 20, 1892.

Dismissed.

Rev. Barnes F. Ashley to Presbytery of Cleveland, Ohio, December 20, 1892.

Classis of Montgomery.

Received.

Rev. Frederick W. Ruhl from the Classis of Schoharie, April 18, 1892.

Rev. James A. Beattie, from the Classis of Illinois, April 18, 1892.

Rev. Charles Maar from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, September 19, 1892.

Rev. William Schmitz from the West Jersey Presbytery, October 11, 1892.

Rev. Charles W. Kinney from the Classis of Ulster, April 17, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. Ira Van Allen over the church of Mohawk, May 26, 1892.

Charles Maar over the church of Owasco Outlet, October 7, 1892.

Rev. William Schmitz over the church of Fultonville, October 11, 1892.

Rev. James A. Beattie over the Trinity Church of Amsterdam, January 10, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Ira Van Allen and the church of Owasco, April 18, 1892.

Between Rev. F. V. Van Vranken and the church of Fultonville, August 1, 1892.

Between Rev. David T. Harris and the church of Manheim, November 1, 1892.

Between Rev. Philip Furbeck and the church of St. Johnsville, November 7, 1892.

Between Rev. Maurice G. Hansen and the church of Hagaman's Mills, April 18, 1893.

Dismissed.

Rev. F. V. Van Vranken to Classis of Hudson, August 1, 1892.

Rev. Philip Furbeck to Classis of Hudson, November 7, 1892.

Rev. David T. Harris to Classis of Orange, November 7, 1892.

Rev. C. P. Evans to Classis of Albany, April 18, 1893.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Received.

Rev. Josiah E. Crane, from the Classis of Philadelphia, May 10, 1892.

The Licentiate, Louis Heiber, from the Classis of New Brunswick, May 31, 1892.

Rev. John F. Shaw, from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, April 18, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. Josiah E. Crane, over the church of Schodack Landing, May 10, 1892.

Rev. Louis Hieber, over the church of Stuyvesant Falls, May 31, 1892.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Edward Birdsall, and the church of Schodack, Dec. 12, 1892.

Between Rev. Cornelius E. Wyckoff, and the church of Castleton, April 18, 1893.

Dismissed.

Rev. Edward Birdsall, to the Classis of Paramus, Dec. 12, 1892.

Rev. Cornelius E. Wyckoff, to the South Classis of Long Island, April 18, 1893.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Received

Rev. S. A. Schilstra, from the Loendeneesche Evangelical Church, April 20, 1892.

Rev. W. Lubach, from the Classis of Wisconsin, May 3, 1892.

Rev. M. Ossewarde, from the Classis of New York, March 22, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. S. A. Schilstra, over the church of First Rochester, May 4, 1892.

Rev. W. Lubach, over the church of Palmyra, June 29, 1892.

Rev. J. Van Westenbug, over the church of Brighton, Sept. 22, 1892.

Rev. M. Van Dorn, over the church of Pultneyville, April 12, 1893.

Rev. M. Ossewarde, over the church of East Williamson, April 13, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. G. H. Hospers and the church of East Williamson, Aug. 11, 1892.

Between Rev. J. Van Westenburg and the church of Pultneyville, Aug. 11, 1892.

Between S. W. Roe, D. D., and the church of Tyre, Oct. 4, 1892.

Between F. W. Palmer, and the church of Farmer, Feb. 23, 1893.

Dismissed.

Rev. G. H. Hospers, to Classis of Grand River, Aug. 11, 1892,

Rev. S. W. Roe, D. D., to Classis of Ulster, Oct. 4, 1892,

Rev. F. W. Palmer, to Presbytery of Cayuga, Feb. 23, 1893.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Received.

Rev. G. E. Macardel, from the Classis of Albany, May 31, 1892.

Rev. N. J. Gulick, from the Nassau River Association of Congregational Ministers and Churches, Sept. 13, 1892.

Rev. J. G. Smart, from the Classis of Schoharie, N. Y.

Installed.

Rev. G. E. Macardel, over the church of Boght, July 13, 1892.

Rev. N. J. Gulick, over the church of Northumberland, Oct. 20, 1892.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. H. E. Cobb, and the church of West Troy, N. Y., Jan. 1, 1893.

Between Rev. M. R. Gordon, and the church of Schagticoke, Jan. 1, 1893.

Dismissed.

Rev. H. E. Cobb, to the Classis of New York, Jan. 31, 1893.

Rev. E. C. Olney, to Central Association of Congregational Ministers and Churches, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1892.

Rev. M. R. Gordon, to the Classis of Schenectady, Jan. 14, 1893.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Received.

Rev. M. R. Gordon, from the Classis of Saratoga, Feb. 10, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. M. R. Gordon, over the second church of Glenville, Feb. 28, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. P. A. Wessels, and the church of Princetown, Oct. 25, 1892.

Dismissed.

Rev. P. A. Wessels, to the Classis of Illinois, Oct. 25, 1892.

Died.

Rev. Robert Doig, June 16, 1892.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Received.

Rev. Wm. C. Handy, from the Classis of Bergen, April 18, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. John G. Smart, and the church of Schoharie.

Dismissed.

Rev. John G. Smart, to Classis of Saratoga.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Receivcd.

Rev. H. P. Lyman Wheaton, from the Oxford Congregation Council, Maine, June 21, 1892.

Rev. S. W. Roe, from the Classis of Rochester.

Installed.

Rev. H. P. Lyman Wheaton, over the church of Esopus, June 21, 1892.

Rev. S. W. Roe, over the church of Plattekill.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. C. W. Kinney and the churches of Shokan and Shandaken, Feb. 13, 1893.

Dismissed.

Rev. C. W. Kinney, to Classis of Montgomery, Feb. 13, 1893.

Candidate.

Rev. John Ten Eyck Dewitt, was licensed to preach the Gospel and dismissed to Classis of Bergen, May 25, 1892.

Died.

Rev. Nathan F. Chapman, at Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1893.

ARTICLE IX.

Benevolent Institutions.

The Rev. Cornelius Brett. D. D., as representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Rev. John W. Conklin, as representative of the Board of Domestic Missions, were heard on the evening of the second day.

ARTICLE X.

Delegates to Synod.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classis. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. Edward P. Johnson,	Rev. Henry Miller,
" W. H. Nasholds,	" John H. Scarlet,
" W. N. P. Dailey,	" J. Lansing Pearse.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
H. K. Richards,	Charles Heitdrick,
D. Henry Vrooman,	W. J. Coughtry,
D. N. Winne,	John Maher.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. Evert Van Slyke,	Rev. P. K. Hageman,
" C. M. Perlee,	" F. S. Barnum,
" Arthur J. Smith,	" W. W. Schomp.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Thomas Bell,	P. S. Van Schaack,
Joseph McGiffert,	S. H. Van Dyck,
F. J. Van Hoosen,	W. L. King.

Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. R. A. Pearse,	Rev. Wm. Schmitz,
" J. A. DeBaun,	" J. B. Thyne,
" A. D. Minor,	" Ira Van Allen,
" E. A. McCullum,	" J. R. Kyle,
" H. D. B. Mulford,	" J. A. Beattie,
" John G. Gebhard,	" J. A. Thomson,
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
G. C. Churchill,	Lucius Bellinger,
H. V. Kelly,	W. H. Snyder,
B. H. Smith,	P. W. Putman,
Giles H. Mount,	Jacob Devendorf,
C. J. Hoff,	Adam Smith,
P. S. Wiers,	Harvey Loucks,

Classis of Rensselaer

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. J. B. Drury,	Rev. Dewitt B. Wyckoff,
" Isaac S. Schenck,	" Edward A. Collier,
" J. Laubemheimer,	" J. Perry Beaver.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
G. Van DenBurgh,	Henry D. Kittle,
Stephen E. Miller,	Abram Kittle,
I. W. Darrow,	W. H. Rainey,

Classis of Rochester.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. C. F. Porter,	Rev. M. Van Doorn,
" P. Thuman,	" S. A. Schilstra,
" W. Lubach,	" J. Van Westenburg.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
W. J. Traphagen,	J. B. Peterson,
J. Verbridge,	J. A. DeBlaume,
J. LeMeyer,	F. Rykenboer,

Classis of Saratoga.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. J. E. Hainer,	Rev. Oliver H. Walser,
" A. G. Cochran,	" N. J. Gulick,
" F. C. Scoville,	" G. E. Macardel,
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
A. T. Van Vranken, M. D.,	G. Schuyler,
C. W. Mayhew,	John Wagman,
Jos. H. Becker,	J. H. Harmon.

Classis of Schenectady.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. A. C. Sewall,	Rev. P. H. Cole,
" Alexander Hill,	" J. C. Knox,
" L. Van Derveer,	" Jas. E. Graham.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
E. S. Groot,	Jas. A. Barhyte,
J. K. Tullock,	R. D. Groot,
Daniel Hungerford,	Henry A. Smith.

Classis of Schoharie.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. F. A. Force,	Rev. W. A. Wurts,
" E. J. Blekkink,	" Wm. C. Handy,
" C. W. Pitcher,	" Philip Phelps, D. D.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
Wesly Posson,	James Van Allen,
H. A. Brown,	S. K. Campbell
G. L. Danforth,	Jared Van Wagonen.

Classis of Ulster.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. B. C. Lippincott,	" S. T. Cole,
" Denis Wortman,	" R. M. Stanborough,
" A. J. Sebring,	" R. Dewitt,
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
John L. Hutchings,	A. Wolsen,
Peter Snyder,	Alonzo Green,
Benj. M. Brink,	Hiram Davis.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows, from 9 to 11:45 A. M., from 2 to 5 P. M., and from 7 P. M. until such hour as the Synod may adjourn.

The following appointments were made for the communion on the afternoon of the second day.

To preside and read the form, the President of Synod, the Rev. Philip Phelps, D. D.; to distribute the bread, the Rev. Minor Swick; to distribute the wine, the Rev. J. A. Beattie; assisting elders, S. T. Burroughs, John Ellis, P. M. Gillespie, N. W. Donnan.

On the evening of the first day an address was delivered by the Rev. A. J. Sebring, on the subject, "The signs of the times; do they point to the early fulfilment of prophecy, in the ingathering of the nations into the Church."

The first half-hour of the second day was spent in devotional services under the direction of the Vice-President of Synod, the Rev. B. B. Staats.

The Rev. W. M. Baum, of the Lutheran Church, the Rev. Thomas A. Griffin of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Rev. J. H. Enders, Synodical Missionary Superintendent, and the Rev. Cornelius Brett, were invited by the Synod to sit as corresponding members.

The Rev. D. K. Van Doren, presented the cause of the American Bible Society.

Resolved, That this Synod cordially commend to the liberality of our Churches the American Bible Society; with the expressed hope that the support of this worthy agency of the kingdom in its future, may be such as to warrant the restoration of that branch of the work carried on through the society's system of colportage.

Resolved, That the Synod meet in 1894 in the First Reformed Church of Albany.

In consideration of the very sumptuous entertainment of the Synod by the good people of Canjoharie, and the efficient efforts of the pastor and officers of this church for the comfort and enjoyment of the members of Synod.

Resolved, That a most cordial vote of thanks be tendered to the pastor and consistory of this Church, to the choir for their delightful music, and to the people of Canajoharie for their hospitable entertainment of the Synod.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have printed the usual number of copies of the minutes, and to distribute them in the usual manner.

ARTICLE XII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The minutes were read and approved. The roll was called, and all who were not excused, were found present.

ARTICLE XIII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the First Reformed Church of Albany, on the first Tuesday in May, 1894, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with prayer by the President.

PHILIP PHELPS, *President.*

BERGEN B. STAATS, *Vice-President.*

J. VAN WESTENBERG, }
PHILIP T. PHELPS. } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the Minutes.

C. P. DITMARS, *Stated Clerk.*

PRESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1864—1893.

1864.	Rev.	J. B. TenEyck, Schodack Landing.
1865.	"	J. A. Lansing, D.D., Fonda.
1866.	"	Chas. Scott, D.D., 1st Kingston.
1867.	"	John L. McNair, 2nd Albany.
1868.	"	Philip Peltz, D. D., Saugerties.
1869.	"	B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
1870.	"	John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North).
1871.	"	S. J. Rodgers, Kinderhook.
1872.	"	R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873.	"	J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874.	"	Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875.	"	Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876.	"	J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy (South).
1877.	"	Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878.	"	J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879.	"	Edw. A. Collier, D. D., Chatham Village.
1880.	"	George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881.	"	John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
1882.	"	Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883.	"	Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884.	"	Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885.	"	Andrew J. Hageman, Fort Plain.
1886.	"	James Demarest, Jr., D. D. Herkimer.
1887.	"	Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
1888.	"	John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889.	"	Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890.	"	Denis Wortman, D. D., 2nd Schenectady.
1891.	"	F. S. Barnum, 2nd Coxsackie.
1892.	"	Philip Furbeck, Schoharie.
1893.	"	Philip Phelps, D. D., Canajoharie.

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session, May 1st, 1894, at 3 o'clock P. M., in the First Reformed Church, of Albany, N. Y., and continued in session until 9:45 o'clock on Wednesday, May 2d.

The Synod was called to order by the retiring President, the Rev. Philip Phelps, D.D., who preached the Synodical sermon, taking as his text, the last clause of Rev. 21: 16.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were present:

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. J. Lansing Pearse,	Charles Heidrick,
" Martin Flipse,	Henry Clarke,
" Henry Miller,	
" Wm. H. Nasholds.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. W. W. Schomp,	Wm. Collier,
" Evert Van Slyke, D.D.	Thomas Bell,
" F. S. Barnum,	
" Wm. Davis Ward.	

From the Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. J. R. Kyle,	L. L. Dean,
" J. C. Boyd,	N. W. Donnan,
" J. A. Thompson,	
" Ira Van Allen.	

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. Josiah E. Crane,	J. A. Herrick,
" George W. Furbeck,	H. H. Lovejoy,
" J. Howard Van Doren.	

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. E. B. Van Arsdale.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. F. C. Scoville,	H. McGaffin,
" O. H. Walser,	G. L. Schuyler,
" John G. Smart,	A. T. Van Vranken, M.D.,
" C. B. F. Pease.	

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. A. C. Sewall,	Vischer Lansing,
" L. Vanderveer,	E. P. Chesebro,
" M. R. Gordon,	J. H. Van Auken,
" B. B. Staats.	

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. F. A. Force,	W. Posson,
" J. H. Scarlett,	
" Philip Phelps, D.D.	

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. J. G. Van Slyke, D.D.,	David D. Addis,
" B. C. Lippencott,	Ezra Van Aken,
" Denis Wortman, D.D.	Benj. M. Brink,
" A. J. Sebring,	Uriah C. Van Etten.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Rev. John G. Van Slyke, D. D., was chosen, President. The Rev. J. Howard Van Doren, Vice President, and the Rev's. E. B. Van Arsdale and J. E. Crane, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

They were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed:

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. J. Lansing Pearse,	J. H. Van Auken,
" Josiah E. Crane,	G. L. Schuyler,
" Ira Van Allen.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. F. S. Barnum,	Wm. M. Collier,
" A. J. Sebring,	L. L. Dean,
" W. W. Schomp.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. Philip Phelps,	H. McGaffin,
" J. H. Scarlett,	N. W. Donnan,
" C. B. F. Pease.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. Ira Van Allen,	Benj. M. Brink,
" J. C. Boyd,	D. D. Addis,
" J. R. Kyle.	

On the Treasury.

Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck,	Thomas Bell,
" Henry Miller,	L. L. Dean,
" J. E. Crane.	

On Nominations.

Rev. Oliver H. Walser,	E. P. Chesebro,
" Martin Flipse,	W. Possen,
" B. C. Lippencott.	

On Necrology.

Rev. John A. DeBaun,
" A. J. Sebring.

On Religious Exercises.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. D. Wortman,	D. D. Addis,
" E. P. Johnson,	Uriah Van Etten,
" L. Vanderveer.	

On Missions.

Rev. A. C. Sewall,	A. T. VanVranken, M.D.,
" W. W. Schomp,	N. W. Donnan.
" B. B. Staats.	

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. John G. Smart,	L. L. Dean,
" Wm. D. Ward,	Charles Heidrick,
" Frank A. Force.	

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The lists of Delegates nominated by the several Classes, to the General Synod, were received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Treasurer's accounts and vouches were read and referred to the Committee on Treasury.

A communication from the Classis of Albany in reference to Synodical dues was read and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The report of the Rev. J. H. Enders, Synodical Missionary Superintendent was read and referred to the Committee on Missions.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the minutes of General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of New York, New Brunswick and Chicago, were received.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods.

New York, Rev. Denis Wortman, D.D.

New Brunswick, Rev. Wm. Davis Ward.

Chscago, Rev. H. D. B. Mulferd.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted.

On Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology respectfully report:

The Rev. Alexander M. Mann, D. D., died at his home in Farmer, N. Y., on July 15th, 1893. Dr. Mann was born March 16th, 1808. His was a long and useful life, and although in later years deprived of his eyesight, was cheerful and happy to the end. The following account, written by one who knew him well, we take from *The Farmer Review :*

He was the oldest living graduate of Rutgers College, being indeed the only survivor of the class of 1827, the first class sent out from that institution under its new name. He was also the oldest minister in the Reformed Church who was educated in its bounds, and the sole survivor of the ministers in the Church when he entered it. Add to this the prominence of the fields of his labor, the esteem in which he was held by his denomination, and the abundance of the fruits of his ministry, and we are right in terming his decease a matter of general note.

Dr. Mann made profession of religion in July, 1823 or 1824, in Somerville, N. J., in the remarkable revival of that year, being one of 300 then added to that Church. In the autumn of the same year, having decided on the ministry, he began a brief preparatory course in Somerville Academy, and by remarkable zeal and ability was able to enter the Junior Class of Rutgers in 1825. After his graduation, came the three years of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, and his ordination to the ministry in 1830.

But one year past his majority, he was commissioned by the Domestic Missionary Society to take charge of an infant organization at Ithaca, N. Y. His labors were conspicuously blessed, the people wanted him to

become their settled pastor. After much hesitation and with great diffidence he accepted the responsibility, and for seven years served the Church with evident efficiency. There was an average yearly addition to the membership of 24. But in 1837 personal circumstances seemed to point to a change of field, and much against the desires of his people, a call to the Church in West Troy was listened to, and the removal made.

In 1838 the vigorous First Church of Poughkeepsie laid claims upon this promising young minister, and May 22d, witnessed his installation there. The promise of his coming was abundantly fulfilled. For nearly twenty years he labored in Poughkeepsie. A great company of believers were added to the Church, about a score each year, extensive enlargement and strengthening came in temporal matters. A new Church was born from the old fold, and tokens of Divine favor evidently marked his ministry.

During the Poughkeepsie pastorate, Dr. Mann was honored with the presidency of General Synod in 1851, and received in 1856 the Doctorate of Divinity from Rochester University.

In 1857, he moved to Hoboken, N. J. After a four years' ministry there, a call to the Presbyterian Church of Trumansburg, N. Y., was accepted, and another four year pastorate followed. And now approaching age and other considerations advised relinquishment of pastoral cares. From that time he served various Churches as temporary supply.

Dr. Mann has passed the later years of his life in his home in Farmer, N. Y., ministered to in his blindness by loving hands, and bright with cheerful expectancy of a happy entrance to the heavenly world. His interest and love has been centered on the Church at Farmer, whose successive ministers have ever found a warm friend and counsellor in him.

His was a nature of deep feelings. He was a preacher of marked emotional power. His faith was

ardent, his religious affection warm. A great lover of poetry, his mind was a treasury of sacred verse, a great joy to him in his blindness. He was the composer of at least one hymn of merit, "Child of Sin and Sorrow Filled with Dismay," was set to the music of one of Dr. Hastings' tunes, and found a place in a Church hymnal.

The Rev. William Paige Davis, went to his rest with the setting of the sun on the Sabbath, January 7th, 1894, in the eighty-eighth year of his age.

Mr. Davis was born in Ware, Mass., and educated at Union College, graduating in 1833. His first ministerial charge was at Hamilton, Union and Bethlehem, in the Presbytery of Albany, where, in the zeal of his heart, he had engaged in the evangelistic work while still a student, with such success, that the people insisted upon his settlement with them as their pastor. After a prosperous ministry there of nine years he accepted a call from the Reformed Church of Princetown, and so began his work in the denomination, continued in the same region, which absorbed all there was in him and of him for more than half a century. And there was a good deal in him and a good deal of him. With a very warm heart, a deep love for his Saviour, a clear apprehension of the blessed Gospel, and a consuming passion for souls, he had also a native and a fairly cultivated talent of expression which made him always forcible and sometimes eloquent. Generally in robust health, he made full proof of his ministry from day to day and from house to house.

In two separate pastorates over the large and important Church of Helderberg—only a few miles away from his first charge—and three other pastorates not far to the South and the North, he covered the whole vicinity with his labors, and through the valley of the Norman's Kill and along the foot of the Helderbergs there was no face more familiar than his, and no

influence for good, stronger. When, by reason of old age, he ceased from the pastorate, he by no means ceased from his ministry, but gave good and very acceptable help to his younger brethren and to vacant Churches almost up to the last. Everywhere his labors were fruitful in winning souls and edifying the body of Christ; and only the Master can tell, though one may estimate with holy envy, how many of the Lord's redeemed shall rise up at last to call him blessed.

He was a positive man, as what man is not who ever really does anything? He had clear-cut opinions and plans and methods of his own, for which he stood with all the force of manhood. He was not always wise—there has been but one Man who was; but (a not very common thing for a positive man) he was open to conviction, and when convinced that he was wrong, he surrendered frankly, and with utmost cheerfulness joined hands for work on another line, for the one essential thing with him was that the work must go on. Withal, his patience, his faith, his fidelity, and his buoyant cheerfulness and hopefulness made him a most acceptable co-worker, as his brethren in the ministry most gratefully testify.

He had his share of the trials and sorrows of life and of the pastorate, but he had also the abundant joys of the servants of Christ. One joy in fourfold measure brightened his days and filled his heart and was the unbounded satisfaction of his age—he was permitted to welcome into the blessed work of the ministry two sons, the Revs. Wm. E. and Joseph P. Davis, (one of these, his Benjamin, went quickly home before him,) a son-in-law, the Rev. Henry Ward, and now in the last year of his life a grandson, the Rev. Wm. Davis Ward, while there is at least one other well on the way to the same sacred office. So emphatically was he a father in Israel, a father in our beloved Reformed Church, in whose abundantly fruitful life and peaceful and fitting end we may well rejoice, and thank God

and take courage. *End*, said we? Nay, he rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

The Rev. Garrett John Renskers, died at Clymer, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., on Nov. 1st, 1893, aged 75 years and eight months.

He was born in the Netherlands, and was converted in the great revival movement which led so many to leave the State Church, and to return to the faith of the fathers. He came to this country in 1846, the year of the beginning of emigration from Holland. He studied for the ministry in Iowa under German and Presbyterian auspices, and was ordained in the Presbyterian Church in 1855. For nine years he preached in German churches in Iowa, and for four years in a Holland Presbyterian Church at Zeeland, Mich., from whence he removed to Clymer, N. Y., where he ministered for twelve years to the Holland Reformed Church of Clymer. The last thirteen years he spent in retirement on his farm with his aged wife. His work has not been without blessing. In his last field he witnessed two revivals; and several were through his instrumentality brought out on the Lord's side. He was clear in his apprehensions of Reformed truth, and to this day several of his sermons are spoken of amongst the people. His last years were partly under a cloud, but his faith in Christ as his Saviour was unwavering, and we believe he has entered into that rest which remaineth for the children of God.

J. A. DeBaun,

Chairman.

On Religious Exercises.

Your Committee would respectfully report the following arrangement for the next Synod.

On the evening of the first day the Rev. A. C. Sewall will make an address, the subject to be chosen by himself.

On the evening of the second day the Rev. E. P. Johnson is appointed to make an address, in connection with the representatives of the Board of Missions, who shall be heard at that time.

DENIS WORTMAN,
Chairman.

On Synodical Minutes.

Your Committee respectfully report as follows: We have examined the records of General Synod of 1893; also the record of all the Particular Synods of our denomination, and find nothing that calls for action on our part.

J. LANSING PEARSE,
Chairman.

On the Treasury.

The Committee on the Treasury would respectfully report: We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and have found them to be correct.

We have also carefully considered the communication from the Classis of Albany in regard to Synodical dues. Your Committee would recommend that the matter of assessment be referred to a special committee of five, to be appointed by the President, from the ministers and elders in the bounds of the Synod, to report at the next meeting of the Synod.

G. W. FURBECK,
Chairman.

The Committee appointed is as follows:

Rev's Denis Wortman, A. C. Sewall, J. Lansing Pearse, Elders Benj. M. Brink, and Henry Clarke.

The Treasurer's Report.

1893	Dr.		
May	2.	Balance from last year	$76 51
"	9.	Cash from Classis of Albany	27 00
"	9.	" " " Greene	13 00
"	10.	" " " Montgomery	20 00
"	10.	" " " Ulster	19 00
June	15.	" " " Rensselaer	19 00
July	27.	" " " Schenectady	17 00
Sept.	29.	" " " Montgomery	11 00
Oct.	12.	" " " Rochester	11 00
"	12.	" " " Schoharie	9 00
1894.			
April	20.	" " " Saratoga	15 00
		Total	$237 51
1893	Cr.		
May	3.	By Cash to Sexton at Canajoharie	$ 5 00
"	10.	" " Salary of Stated Clerk	75 00
June	8.	" " Schenectady Union Co	50 00
July	12.	" " " " "	25 00
"	13.	" " A. J. Sebring, expenses to Synod	2 60
		Total	$157 60
1894	May 1.	Balance to new account	$ 79 91

On Missions.

The Committee on Missions respectfully report: "We find in the annual report of our Synodical Missionary Superintendent, evidence of faithful and efficient labor, and recommend our Brother, Rev. J. H. Enders, to the continued and enlarged confidence of the Classes and of the Churches."

We trust that the full and minute report of the Committee on the State of Religion may be carefully read by the members of our consistories, especially its summaries. With net gain in membership we report as a Synod a decrease in benevolent contributions as well as in congregational expenses. In some instances benevolent gifts have increased relatively to home expenses, although as a rule the reverse is true. We realize the special financial stress under which many of our Churches have labored during the year, but we wish especially to commend those Churches which have economized first on their own home expenditures,

rather than on their benevolent gifts. We feel that the entire benevolent work of the Church needs our warmer affection and deeper and more intelligent devotion.

Increased gifts during this year are doubtless due in part to improved system. We therefore heartily commend to the renewed attention of the Classes of this Synod the recommendations of General Synod's Committee on Systematic Benevolence.

We note with pleasure the recent cordial agreement of the representatives of eight Denominations, holding the Presbyterian system of Church government, upon a plan of federation. It is our earnest hope that some wise method of co-operation with our sister Denominations, especially in the conduct of our Foreign and Domestic Missionary enterprises, may be speedily adopted. We therefore recommend the following resolution, viz:

"That this Synod will look with favor upon any wise movement toward federating the Denominations holding the Presbyterian system of Church government in their work of Church extension both at home and abroad.

A. C. SEWALL,
Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee on Classical Minutes would respectfully report, that the minutes of all the Classes have been placed in their hands; and that they have all been correctly kept. We would call the attention of the Synod to the omission of pastors to explain the Heidelberg Catechism according to the requirements of the Constitution, and would recommend the following action :

Resolved, That the attention of the Classes be called to this requirement of the Constitution, and to the interpretation put upon it in the General Synod of 1892.

Your Committee would also note the large number of Churches which do not make a contribution to the Boards and Funds of the Church.

A. J. SEBRING,
Chairman.

On Synodical Report.

The Committee on the State of Religion within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Albany, respectfully submit the following report:

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

The report of this Classis is general in its character, and the only details for individual churches, are those recorded in the statistical table. The several topics are treated in the following order.

"*Finance.*"—Although churches have to some extent been rebuilt or repaired, and other material improvements made, and one new chapel erected, yet the amount raised for congregational purposes is $9,230 less than for the year preceding, which is attributed chiefly to the financial difficulties of the times. Likewise the offerings of the Classis for Denominational objects have been reduced from $12,208, or $4.04 per member to $9,975 or $3.44 per member. It is noted however that the average for the Albany Synod was, last year $1.70 per member and for the entire Church, $2.56. Only a few of the churches of the Classis have adopted any plan of systematic giving; and great importance is attached to the instrumentality of Women's Missionary auxiliaries and Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies in procuring benevolent funds.

"*Working Forces.*"—Sabbath services have been, in general, well attended. There has been a gain of nearly four hundred in the enrollment of the Sabbath Schools; and from this nursery many souls have been gathered. Prayer meetings have in only a few instances been respectably maintained though in some

churches special prayer and union services have been held. Family worship is almost an unknown thing in most of the homes of the congregations, and household religion has been wofully neglected. Other influences such as those of Young People's Associations, Mission Bands, King's Daughters' Circles, Sewing Schools, Girls' Prayer Meetings, Boys' Clubs, Kindergarten Classes, Brotherhoods of Andrew and Philip and Missionary Branches are taking no insignificant part in the building of Zion's walls.

"*Church Life.*"—No *special* effort has been conducted in any of the churches of the Classis but in the case of every church there has been unusual endeavor on the part of pastor and people. The preaching of Christ and Him crucified, "has produced in the church membership within the bounds of Classis, a life that is generally marked by depth of thought and adornment of the Christian graces."

"*Church Membership.*"—The number received on confession of their faith, is much larger than last year and the net gain of members in the Classis is one hundred and twenty-four.

"*The Outlook.*"—The report concludes with the earnest hope that the coming year may be "a year of the right hand of the Most High"—"a great missionary year." "If there is to be any retrenchment, let it be at the home-churches' end of the line." "The greatest need of our whole Church is the endowment of God's Holy Spirit."

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

This Classis reports that "all its Churches have enjoyed material prosperity and have received tokens of the Spirit's presence and blessing."

Athens, First—States that the year has been one of quiet yet active work. Its two Sabbath Schools have been maintained, and a weekly teachers' meeting held. The Young People's Society of Christian

Endeavor, and the Ladies' Missionary Society have been earnest and faithful. As a result of the efforts of the Sewing Circle, a new furnace has been put in the parsonage.

Athens, Second—The past year has been one of continuous sowing, though the reaping has not yet been very large. The Sabbath School and Prayer-Meeting have been maintained.

Catskill, First—Rejoices in many assurances of the Spirit's blessing and in the addition of new members to its roll; and at the same time deeply sorrows over the death of its senior Elder, William H. Van Orden, who had often represented them at Classical and Synodical meetings. During the year, nearly $1,600 have been expended in improving and re-carpeting the audience-room.

Coxsackie, First—Has received an accession of eleven members of whom ten were on confession of their faith. Its three Sabbath Schools are growing in the number of pupils; and its Y. P. S. C. E., has joined the Missionary League and is evincing new consecration. The Ladies' Prayer and Mission Circle have secured more than $95 for Missions. Much to the regret of Pastor and People, the Pastor, Rev. P. K. Hageman, has been compelled by ill health to resign.

Coxsackie, Second.—The year has been one of ordinary character in church-life. Attendance at the Sanctuary has been good, especially in the evening, the result of making the seats free at the latter service. Contributions for benevolence are nearly as large as last year, and exceed the apportionment of Classis. The Church is favored with excellent auxiliaries, namely, two Ladies' Societies, the one Missionary and the other Social; two Christian Endeavor Societies, the one, Senior, and the other Junior. The C. E. has joined the "League" and has given over $40. The

two Sabbath Schools have raised $80, for Missions, besides bearing their own current expenses.

Kiskatom—Installed a new pastor last July, and reports a year of progress. Twelve have been added to the Church, ten of them on confession. The week of prayer was extended for two weeks additional. The two Sabbath Schools are in useful operation. There has been organized a C. E. Society. The Ladies Circle have put new cushions in the Church and made other improvements at an expense of about $250. A new organ also has been purchased. The Consistory have resolved on the method of Systematic Beneficence.

Leeds—Is grateful for the accession of new families and addition to the Church membership. The work of the Church with its auxiliaries, among which are three Sabbath Schools, has been progressive and faithful. A lot and building adjoining the Church have been purchased and refitted for a lecture-room, for the cost of which all the money has been pledged, and most of it paid.

As compared with last year, the Classis has a net gain of six in membership. The contributions for congregational purposes are $1,161 more than last year, and the offerings for benevolence are $951 less.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

This Classis continues to be the largest in the Denomination. Of its thirty-six churches, Canastota, Chittenango, Cicero, Henderson, Mapletown, Owasco and Stone Arabia make no report whatever. An epitome of the reports of the other churches is as follows:

Amsterdam, First—Has had no special manifestation. Though suffering from business depression, they have raised more than $1,000 for a new pipe organ; and the Sabbath School, besides contributing to all our Boards and to other objects has replenished its library at a cost of $125.

Amsterdam, Trinity—This church which was founded only two years ago, has increased the number of its families from twenty-five to thirty-nine and of its communicants from twenty-eight to forty-one; and its Consistory has been enlarged to three elders and three deacons. Having lost its pastor, James A. Beattie, who has devoted himself to Foreign Missions, it has called Rev. Evert J. Blekkink who expects to take charge May 1st, under whose ministrations, they look for a fruitful season.

Auriesville—Rejoices in a spirit of harmony, in the addition of six on confession of faith, and in an increase of offerings for benevolent and congregational purposes.

Canajoharie—Has had a prosperous year with an accession of nineteen members of whom thirteen were on confession. The prayer-meeting has been well attended, and the amount obtained for all purposes has been augmented.

Columbia—Which, during the past summer has had the services of a student, expects soon to have a minister as stated supply. It has recently organized a Christian Endeavor Society.

Cranesville—At present without a pastor has received into its communion, thirteen on confession and two by certificate, thus increasing its membership to sixty-three.

Currytown—Although destitute of a pastor during the summer, was enabled to maintain its regular service nearly every Sabbath; and its C. E. meeting has been well attended. Since Oct. 1, it has had the ministrations of a settled pastor. Four new members have united on confession.

East Palatine—Was organized two years ago, and is now without pastoral care.

Ephratah—Has gained four members by confession and one by certificate. It has two Sabbath Schools with an enrollment of one hundred.

Florida—Mentions an increased average attendance at the Sunday School during the winter and the usual attendance on church services.

Fonda—Has welcomed thirteen new members on confession of their faith and six by certificate. It has two Sabbath Schools, with an enrollment of three hundred and fifty. All its services have been well sustained.

Fort Herkimer—Shows an increase in the number of its families, and although one of the smallest churches of the Classis, has two Sabbath Schools with an enrollment of fifty-five.

Fort Plain—Has been blessed with an addition of thirty-five by confession, besides eight by certificate. Attendance on the Sabbath Services, the prayer-meeting and the Sunday School has been much in advance of the previous year; and there has also been an increase of contributions to our Boards.

Fultonville—Is in a healthy condition and maintains its interest in all forms of Christian Service. Seven have come to the Lord's table on confession of their faith, and two have been accepted by letter. Its Ladies Missionary Society is doing a splendid work in behalf of Western missionary pastors.

Glen—Reports a good attendance on the regular Services with much interest during the Week of Prayer.

Hagamans—Was vacant duing the former half of the Classical year, but since October 14th, has had a pastor. A new spiritual interest has been manifested, especially among the young, and six have made confession of their faith in the Lord Jesus, while three have been added by letter.

Herkimer—Is grateful for a prosperous year, having received twenty-two members by confession and four by letter, with spiritual condition constantly improving. It attributes the decrease of its benevolent offerings

from $651, last year to $437 this year, to the financial stringency. Its church edifice, however, has been provided with a new carpet, and the cushions with new covers and the interior renovated by the Ladies Society, while the sum of $1,000 has been given towards building a new chapel.

Manheim—Besides maintaining regular service in the church, has had preaching in two neighborhoods, respectively a mile and a half and three miles distant.

Mohawk—Is attended with blessing. Its Sabbath services in Church and School, as well as the C. E. meetings and those for prayer have largely grown; and its gifts to our Boards have been increased.

Naumburgh and New Bremen—Which had been vacant for more than five years, have been united under the same pastor since July 1, 1893. The two churches together number twenty-four families and fifty-two communicants, of which Naumburgh has, during the year received two, on confession.

Owasco Outlet—Has no pastor and expects to be supplied from Auburn during the next year. Its prayer-meeting is conducted by the Christian Endeavorers. It is enabled to maintain its services and has two Sabbath Schools with an enrollment of sixty.

Point Rock—Makes no report except that it has fourteen families and twenty-four communicants, and has raised $7.50 for benevolence and $87.33 for congregational purposes.

St. Johnsville—Reports nothing apart from the tabular statement, which shows that it has gained five members by confession and three by certificate.

Sprakers—Manifests much interest in all lines of church-work. The attendance on every service continues good, and the outlook is hopeful.

Syracuse.—Possesses a growing spirit of work. Its C. E. S. has established a branch Sabbath School

where a weekly prayer-meeting has been sustained and a number of hopeful conversions have occurred. The church has an accession of seventeen members by confession and six by certificate. The Ladies' Aid Society is engaged in a successful effort for cancelling a debt on the church organ.

Thousand Isles—Is enjoying a genuine revival of religion; and the spirit of consecration is deep, though no numerical increase can be recorded for the year just ended. Many of its members who have moved away, have not yet severed their relations to the church.

Utica—Is without a settled pastor, but its pulpit has been regulary supplied. Its benevolent offerings in the aggregate have risen from $320 for 1892-3, to $1,078, for 1893-4, and its congregational contribution. from $4,018 to $4,212.

West Leyden—Has a good church-attendance and a prosperons Sabbath School. The services of Sabbath *evening* and the exercises of the Prayer-Meeting, and the Sunday School are all in English, and all but ten of the members desire English throughout.

The tabular aggregates would furnish a net gain of 126 members; but on account of the revision of the lists in some of the churches, a comparison of the past year with the previous shows a loss of 95 communicants. Also there appears a decrease of $445 in benevolent gifts and of $2,081 for congregational purposes.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Reports that "while the past year has not been a year of great things, yet a fair degree of prosperity has been enjoyed." It claims to be the "Banner Christian Endeavor Classis," since it has such a society in every one of its churches; and so many and so favorable are the references to this organization that the Classis is led to "heartily endorse the principles and workings of 'Christian Endeavor,'"

Bath-on-the-Hudson—This new missionary undertaking is in a most prosperous and promising condition. Through individual effort, the membership has been doubled. The prayer-meetings have been richly blessed; and among the indications of the breathings of the Holy Spirit, there is an enthusiastic missionary feeling. Its auxiliaries are a Sabbath School, a Woman's Missionary Association and a Junior Christian Endeavor Society. The financial success has been gratifying as $35 have been given to Denominational objects and more than $700 for congregational purposes.

Blooming Grove—Furnishes no report other than the statistical table which shows a loss of two members by dismission with a slight decrease of contributions for benevolence and some increase for its own support.

Castleton—This church has sent no report at all for this year.

Chatham—The year has been one of peace. The church has lost ten members by death and dismission but has gained six by confession and four by certificate. There has been considerable increase in the pew rents, and its financial condition is good.

Ghent, First—Has been encouraged in every department of Christian effort by the presence and the grace of God. At the last Communion, ten confessed their faith in the Saviour, and there is good reason to hope that others will soon follow. The sum of $450 has been spent in improving the church-edifice, and a legacy of $200 has been received through the will of John Hingard. On May 4th occurs the seventy-fifth anniversary of the church organization.

Ghent, Second—Has enjoyed the Divine presence and blessing manifested by a good attendance and interest in the services of the Sabbath and prayer. Its C. E. S. is of great help.

Greenbush—Has prospered in temporal matters, the pastor's salary having an increase of $200., and a new pipe-organ having been pledged by the liberality of Mr. J. L. Kimmey, for which the congregation is to provide on annex in the rear of the pulpit. Notwithstanding a faithful continuance of seed-sowing, the membership has diminished through the loss of eight members by death.

Kinderhook—Early in the year, this church was made glad by the ingathering of a considerable number most of whom were youth, though all ages, even up to seventy-five, were represented. This was in part the result of special services conducted by Rev. F. E. Smiley. Efficient work has been done through the regular services of the Church, the Sabbath School, the Senior and Junior Christian Endeavor and the Woman's Missionary Societies, and the benevolent contributions of each. For thirty years, the Sabbath School has maintained one who is now a valued native preacher in India ; and the C. E. S. supports a bed in Dr. Otte's Hospital in China.

Nassau—The plan of systematic beneficence recommended by the General Synod's Committee, was initiated last November, and so far as adopted by the people, has proved successful. Through the liberality of Mrs. Frickenger who gave $2,000, for the purpose, the church has secured a new parsonage, comfortable, convenient and in good repair. Though there has been no special religious interest during the past year, yet not a communion season has passed without the reception of one or more new members.

New Concord—This church, though not of sufficient strenght to have the services of a settled pastor, still makes encouraging progress. During the last summer it was very acceptably served by Mr. Chalmers P. Dyke of our New Brunswick Seminary. Four have united on confession. An organization of a C. E. S.

has been effected, composed of old as well as young, whose Sabbath evening prayer-meeting has been regularly and well sustained. The church property has been kept in good repair.

Schodack—There has been progress during the past year, and there is promise for the future. The Sabbath morning congregation has been large, and that of the evening, though small, has been steadily growing. The pastor has been cheered by harmony and mutual co-operation. A large increase in the membership of the Y. P. S. C. E: evinces the interest of the young in the means of grace and in church work. By means of weekly envelope-offerings, beginning the 1st of July last, the pew-rentals have been supplemented to the extent of $325 a year, and the benevolent gifts though a little less than last year, have been liberal.

Schodack Landing—Sends no report additional to the filling out of the tabular statement. It has received five on confession and two by certificate, showing a net increase of one member.

Stuyvesant—Has enjoyed a year of prosperity with meetings well attended and financial obligations promptly met. The Sabbath School has increased in efficiency and has sent a contribution to the Columbian Church. The C. E. S. is helpful to the pastor and the church, and as a member of the Missionary League, gives $40 a year for missionary work. The Mission Band Light-Bearers continue to support a bed in Dr. Otte's Hospital in our Amoy Mission, and has also sent large quantities of flowers to New York for distribution among the poor. Though not without the Lord's presence, yet the church feels the need of a deeper spiritual life.

Stuyvesant Falls—Is still without a pastor but hopes to have the services of one by June 1st.

In general, the report of Classis shows a shrinkage of $1,464 in benevolent offerings and of $3,751 in con-

gregational contributions. While this is accounted for, partly by the special effort made for Missions last year and partly by the prevailing stringency, yet the Classis regrets that the Church does not realize her full responsibility for carrying on the work of the Lord.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Reports that there has been no very marked religious awakening in any of the churches; and while almost all express the need of the outpouring of the Spirit, yet the year has not been without fruit.

Abbe—Has made remarkable progress during the few months of the labors of its new pastor. A Young People's Prayer-Meeting and a Woman's Missionary Society have been organized. The Sabbath Services catechetical classes and meetings for prayer are all well attended; and there is humble gratitude to God with peace and harmony and the spirit of prayer. As evidence of the spiritual growth, there have been added thirteen on confession.

Arcadia—Nothwithstanding the lack of pastoral care, the attendance at the Sabbath meeting has been well sustained. But the church sorely feels the need of God's Spirit and prays for an under-shepherd.

Brighton—This church was established June 15, 1892 with fifty-five members, and now has one hundred and twenty-six, of whom twenty-four were admitted on confession the past year and six by certificate. It has nearly paid the debt on its church-building, but so large is the attendance that the edifice is already too small. The Sabbath School is growing and the interest among the young has led them to form a Y. P. S. C. E. Both the offerings for benevolence and for congregational purposes have been more than doubled this year.

Clymer Hill—The means of grace are faithfully used; and attendance at all the services except prayer-meeting is good. The Woman's Missionary Society is

making progress, and the young people have formed a C. E. S., which has made a successful beginning. But the Church laments deficiency in spiritual life and paucity of conversions.

East Williamson—Attendance at Divine service has been large and the Gospel is heard with gladness. The young people have maintained meetings which have been productive of much good, and fourteen of their number have been admitted to communion on confession of their faith. The church prays for more copious showers of grace.

Evangelical Church, Buffalo. Has enjoyed the means of grace without interruption, and the people are taking more interest in personal religion. The week of prayer proved to be such a blessing that a second week was observed. Nine were received on confession. A second Sabbath School has been begun its exercises to be in English. Also a C. E. S has been started with eighteen members. Last October, the church paid the second mortgage on its property, but is again burdened with a street improvement tax of $300. They pray that the Lord who has so visibly helped them thus far, will soon place them in a more prosperous condition to aid in the building up of His cause.

Farmer—Its present pastorate began July 9th, 1893, after an interim of four months. Sabbath congregations good, and weekly prayer-meetings largely attended, and interest sustained in the temporal and spiritual affairs of the church. The Sunday School is growing in membership and a Junior "Endeavor" has been inaugurated with twenty-three members. The church is grateful for a steady growth in grace among the older members, and looks forward with hopeful faith to an ingathering of souls.

Lodi—Finds reason to thank the Lord for a year of quiet progress and to go forward with renewed zeal.

Throughout the year, the attendance at church-services except the evening prayer-meeting has been fairly sustained. Both the Senior and the Junior C. E.'s are flourishing. The Sunday School has gained eight per cent. on its enrollment; and the Ladies' Missionary Society report a good work.

Marion—Has been blessed spiritually: besides receiving eleven by certificate, it has welcomed twenty-one on confession, a number of the latter from the middle-aged. The attendance upon all religious services, has been very encouraging; and amid peace and harmony there has been a general co-operation in all church work. The Woman's Missionary Society has been successful and the Young Endeavor Society has extended its influence. Improvements have been made on church and parsonage, and the amount given for congregational purposes has been nearly doubled.

Palmyra—Thanks the Lord for faithful attendance upon the Sabbath Service, for the appreciation of the Sacraments, for the addition of thirteen members, of whom nine were on confession, for the excellent condition of its Sabbath School, and for the regard paid to catechetical instruction.

Pultneyville—Expresses its grateful sense of being the recipient of many blessings. Peace and harmony reign; the sanctuary is well attended; the people of God are becoming stronger in faith; the Sabbath School is flourishing; the interest taken in the Week of Prayer was most gratifying; twelve new members have been added, seven of them on confession; and the moral and spiritual condition of the church is hopeful. During the year, it has been called to experience the loss of one of its elders by death.

Rochester, First—In the absence of any special manifestation, there has been regular attention to all the means of grace, and not without fruit. God's people have manifested a spirit of unity and of con-

tentment and of benevolence and of fidelity to church privileges. Catechetical instruction is more highly valued. An old debt on the church has been liquidated, and even in these times, there has been an increase of fifty per cent. in contributions for congregational purposes and of twenty per cent. in offerings for benevolence.

Rochester, Second—Being without a pastor, the pulpit has been supplied by Revs. Messrs. Hopkins and Bates. Five have been added on confession and seven by certificate. Its offerings are very nearly the same as last year. Rev. W. H. Bates is the Pastor-Elect.

Tyre—Is the only church of this classis that sends no report, and hence that of last year is inserted in the table.

In the Classis there is a net gain of 57 in the membership. Congregational contributions have increased by $1,354 and benevolent offerings diminished by $123. The Classis adds that only three out of its fourteen churches have given to *all* our Boards and "only two have heeded the reported recommendation of the General Synod to contribute to the American Bible Society.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Has made "a careful and critical examination of the religious condition of the several churches" within its bounds, and believes that there has been "much progress in Christian life and work."

Boght—Very gratefully records special evidences of the Lord's favor. When it seemed to have become necessary to close the church, on account of the impracticability of maintaining the preaching, Brother Walser of Cohoes volunteered his assistance, and the church took a new lease of life. The Sabbath service was held in the afternoon with a very gratifying attendance; the Sabbath School and Prayer-Meeting were revived; and a Y. P. S. C. E. was organized. At the

recent communion service, eight were received on confession besides three on certificate; and the prospects are now encouraging.

Buskirks—Has no pastor and sends no report.

Cohoes—Reports a year of continued peace and prosperity, with the Sabbath and week-day services regularly sustained and renewed interest in the various forms of Christian work. The addition to the membership has been fourteen by confession with one by certificate. The finances are in a satisfactory condition, and notwithstanding the pressure of the times, the benevolent offerings have reached nearly $900, a little more than the previous year.

Fort Miller—Maintains its regular services and has had an addition of five on confession.

Gansevoort—Received new life and invigorating help from three weeks of special religious meetings held last Fall. With the undivided services of a pastor, the people believe they could make greater progress, and are desirous of attempting a step in that direction, if they could be temporarily aided.

Greenwich—Has been blessed with a year of unusual advancement spiritually and financially. Without any special meetings, it has had an addition of nineteen by confession and five by certificate. The Sabbath attendance has been such as to create a demand for pews beyond the supply; and the full capacity of the lecture-room has been taxed for the Sunday School and the prayer-meeting. The offerings for benevolence have increased more than twenty per cent, and the church is trusting for a continuance of the Divine blessing.

Northumberland—Has been strengthened in every branch of its work. An active Y. P. S. C. E. of thirty members has been founded, and a regular weekly prayer meeting established. The church property has been renovated, and all the public services are well attended. An accession of three by confession and six

by certificate gives a net gain of five to the membership ; and the gifts for benevolence have risen forty per cent. and the other contributions, twenty-five.

Saratoga—Sends only a tabular statement which evidences about the same degree of strength as last year and the same liberality in giving.

Schaghticoke—Held special meetings under the supervision of the Pastor, with thirteen hopeful conversions of whom two have been received into communion. The working forces of the Sabbath congregations are steadily increasing. Being without a pastor for a portion of the year, it has given nothing to Missions, but intends to make good the deficiency next year. In all its work both temporal and spiritual, the church is prospering.

West Troy, North—Has had to contend with many depressing circumstances, especially the lack of a pastor the former half of the year ; but interest in all its relations is reviving. Its Sabbath School is vigorous. A pleasant and valuable parsonage has been purchased at a cost of $6,000 and has been extensively repaired ; and the Ladies' Aid Society is energetically working for the cancelling of the debt. More than $400 have been raised for benevolent and nearly $3,000 for congregational purposes.

West Troy, South—Which is still without a pastor reports the same condition as last year.

Wynantskill—Having been without a minister for a long time, was favored again with the services of an under-shepherd last December; and the church is beginning to put forth its wonted energy. The attendance on Divine worship is good; and the auxiliary societies are greatly stimulated in their several spheres.

In the review of the statistics, there appears a singular concidence in that the total number of communicants reported by this Classis in 1893 was 1893.

And now in 1894, it is 1894. This net gain of only one member, arises from the fact that one church has revised its list. The benevolent offerings are $848 less than last year, and the congregational contributions are $4,260 less. Still the Classis very justly expresses its gratification with the record of the religious and financial condition of a large majority of the churches.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Reports that "on the whole, the year's work makes a commendable showing. It is especially gratifying to notice the increased efforts made to reach the unconverted. The fact that within a comparatively short time, our Classis has planted two new churches, is sufficient to show that we are trying at least to obey the command of Christ to preach the Gospel to the nations, representatives of not a few of which are gathered in Schenectady, somewhat as they were gathered in Rome when Paul preached there."

Schenectady, First—"A year of steady work and slight increase of interest and success in all departments, with a net gain of sixteen members. The success of the Wednesday evening prayer meeting and teachers' meeting is evidently a source of considerable encouragement to the pastor. The various sub-organizations of the church are in a healthy condition. Within the past six months, there has been a marked increase in church attendance with an evident relish on the part of the auditors for the most vital Gospel themes." The offerings of this church for Denominational objects have been somewhat larger this year than the liberal ones or the preceding year. The church has three Sabbath Schools with an enrollment of six hundred and forty-two.

Schenectady, Second—"There is a considerable increase in the membership, and the growth of the church seems to be quiet and steady. Uniformily

large audiences have listened to the preaching of the Gospel, . . . There is much religious interest within the bounds of the congregation. Not a few of the converts of this year have come from the Sunday School and the Endeavor Societies: a very encouraging fact for those that have the religious training of the young. Considering the fact that there are many wage-earners in this church, it has stood the hard times remarkably well; and the pastor has a word of warm praise for those that have put the Lord's work first rather than last." The two Ladies' Societies have both succeeded well in raising funds.

Glenville, First—Sends only a statistical report. With its new pastor and two Sabbath Schools and other auxiliaries it is now equipped for efficient work.

Glenville, Second—This Church also maintains two Sabbath Schools. Eighteen persons have been added on confession, and three on certificate; and numerous improvements have been made to church property.

Rotterdam, First—Has been permitted to receive into its fellowship, twenty souls on confession and five on certificate. Its three Sabbath Schools show an enrollment of two hundred and seventy-five.

Rotterdam, Second—Evinces increased fervor of missionary and temperance spirit. Its membership has had an accession of twelve on confession. A Junior C. E. S. has been organized. Its former liberal contributions to our Boards have been somewhat increased this year.

Helderberg–Altamont—The year has been comparatively uneventful. "The bright feature of the work at the Helderberg church is the Christian Endeavor Society, which, though ignored by most of the congregation, holds very spiritual services and shows marked evidence of growth in grace." In the Altamont branch there has been progress; and the need of a separate organization at the latter place, is keenly felt. The

one church has three Sabbath Schools with an enrollment of three hundred.

Niskayuna—Has been favored with a year in which "the seed-growing and the harvesting have gone on continuously together." Some of the fruits have been an accession of twenty-four on confession and five on certificate. The gifts have been increased both for benevolent and congregational purposes. Its two Sabbath Schools participate in the prosperity.

Lisha's Kill—Is highly encouraged by the addition of twenty-three communicant members of whom twenty were on confession; and by the near prospect of a settled pastor after a long interim. It also supports two Sunday Schools.

Amity—Furnishes only a statistical report which indicates its usual strength except that while it has gained five members by confession and certificate it has lost eight by dismission and death.

Princetown.—Its services are better attended than in years before, and there is a strong religious interest in that section of the country. Five have been added by confession and one by certificate, but it has lost eleven by death and dismission. It has two Sabbath Schools and has given more than $100 to objects of benevolence, nearly all of it to our Boards.

Mont Pleasant—Has been most seriously affected by "the times," and in consequence, finds great difficulty in meeting necessary payments, but has been richly blessed with spiritual results in that eleven converts have entered from the Sabbath School into its communion.

Bellevue—This church was organized during the year, in a new and promising field, with twenty-one members; and its one great need is a settled pastor.

The Classis rejoices in the large number of conversions, as well as in the increased number of children

in its Sunday Schools. In communicant membership there is a net gain of one hundrad and six. Its benevolent offerings have decreased $426, and its congregational contributions have increased $1,260.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

In taking a general view of its religious condition the Classis expresses the opinion "that God has greatly blessed us during the year; and there has been progress all along the line."

Beav rdam—Has enjoyed an outpouring of the Spirit and has received twenty-one on confession of their faith. The church has called a pastor who is expected in June.

Berne—Is associated with Beaverdam in work and in blessing; and has had an accession of twelve on confession and ten on certificate. As formerly, Berne and Beaverdam unite in the same call.

Breakabeen—All the services have been regularly maintained. The Sabbath School is in active and useful condition; and a Y. P. S. is soon to be organized. New cushions have been provided for the church, and other improvements have been made on the property.

Central Bridge—During the last half of the year, this church has been without a pastor, but their call on a suitable brother, has been accepted, and he will soon enter on his work. Meanwhile regular services have been maintained, and three have united on confession.

Cobleskill—The revival which was experienced during the winier, has left blessed and permanent results; and sixteen have been added on confession and six by certificate. Much to the regret of his people, the pastor has accepted a call to a new field.

Eminence—This church is emerging from most serious difficulties, and looks forward with a hope to future of usefulness. Last summer it was favored with

the very acceptable services of Mr. Charles E. Corwin, a student in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

Gallupville—Reports an uneventful year with steady seed-sowing which, it is hoped, may yet result in a plentiful harvest.

Gilboa—Has entered on a new era of activity. Its present pastor has been with them nine months, and reports four additions by confession and two by certificate.

Howe's Cave—Has been united for a number of years with Central Bridge and looks for the same new pastor. Its weekly services have been sustained, and it has had an accession of four on confession.

Lawyersville—Has shared in the services of the same pastor as Cobleskill and equally regrets his departure. It has two Sabbath Schools, and has been favored with an addition of seven on confession.

Middleburgh—Makes special mention of the beneficial effect of observing Holy Week. Religious interest has increased, and eleven have joined on confession.

Moresville—Is one of the smaller churches of Classis, is without pastor and sends no report.

North Blenheim—Has been engaged in extensive improvements on the church-building at an expense of about $1,200. Among the alterations is the building of an apse for the choir in the rear of the pulpit, and the substitution of a heater in the cellar for the former stoves with their unsightly pipe. A Woman's Missionary Society and a Ladies' Aid Society have been formed during the year.

Prattsville—Consistory sends no report but the stated supply, Rev. John H. Scarlet, of Gilboa, states that the prospects are very encouraging.

Schoharie—Is providentially favored with the ministrations of a former pastor. Six new members have been received on confession and two on certificate. In one of the neighborhoods a branch Sabbath School and Prayer Meeting have been begun, and there is a religious awakening. During the coming season extensive improvements are to be made in the church-edifice, for which most of the money has been subscribed.

Sharon—Faithfulness in employing the means of grace has prevailed through the year. All the services, including the Sabbath School, are well attended. The C. E. S. is in good condition, and the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary has been quietly doing its work. The prospects are hopeful.

South Gilboa—Has enjoyed at different times the excellent counsels and ministrations of our Synodical Missionary Agent, Rev. J. H. Enders, and the Classis, holding its Fall session there, was gratified with the indications of life. It has had an accession of four on confession, but is still without a pastor.

The tabular statement of this Classis shows a net gain of eleven families and twenty-six communicants. The amount given for benevolence is $130 less, and for congregational purposes $392 more than last year.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

After an examination of the reports, the Classis feels "constrained to say that evidently there has been faithful preaching and watching on the part of the pastors, and willing co-operation on the part of the membership. This has been a year of blessing and growth."

Blue-Mountain—Has no pastor, but is enjoying prosperity. All the church-services are well attended, its two Sabbath Schools are maintained, and a good feeling is manifested throughout the community.

Esopus—Cannot report accessions except one by certificate. But there are many evidences of the pres-

ence of the Great Head of the Church, and they look for the outpouring of His Spirit. The church has two Sabbath Schools.

Flatbush—The Sabbath services have been regularly maintained, and the people are faithful in attendance. There have been eight accessions, three of them on confession, and they continue to pray for larger blessings. Three Sabbath Schools are cared for.

Katsbaan—The church is harmonious, faithful, liberal and willingly active in every good work. The past year has been characterized by teaching and training rather than by ingathering. The liberal offerings of last year for Denominational objects have been nearly equalled this year.

Kingston—Has enjoyed a year of steady and uniform blessing. Its church membership has been en larged by an addition of twenty-three on confession and thirteen on certificate. In temporal interests, it was never more prosperous, as evidenced by its having nearly doubled last year's amount for congregational purposes, and its offerings of $1,100 for benevolence.

Port Ewen—In answer to importunate prayer, the church has been visited with refreshing showers of grace. The interest during the Week of Prayer was increased during the three succeeding weeks, and twenty-four souls were harvested. A new impetus has been given to all the departments of church work, and the Sabbath School is outgrowing its accommodations.

Plat'ekill—Is hopeful as to the outlook, though the year has been one of sowing and not of reaping. Its three Sabbath Schools are well attended and its two Young Endeavor Societies are in a flourishing condition.

Roxbury—Is animated by a spirit of unity and of increased determination to do the Master's work. Has been gladdened by seven additions on confession.

Through the kindness of the family of the late Jay Gould of New York City, a new and beautiful church edifice is in process of erection.

Saugerties—Reports a year of continuous prosperity and blessing. Its communicant membership has been enlarged by the accession of five on confession and thirteen by certificate.

Shandakan—Has installed a new pastor during the year and its attendance on the preaching services has been satisfactory. Its Sabbath School and Young Endeavor Society are in a promising condition. The year has added four converts to its list.

Shokan—Is united with Shandakan under the same new pastor. During the months of January and February it engaged in union services with the Baptist and Methodist brethren, and had the joy of welcoming thirty-two souls to its communion. Its Sabbath School is largely attended.

Stewartville—Has been without a pastor since February last, but has maintained its Sabbath School as usual.

West Hurley—Although this church has been without preaching service since last December, yet the Sabbath School, Bible Class and Prayer Meeting have been sustained and are well attended.

Wiltwyck—The spiritual life of the church shows improvement, and no less than twenty-four have been admitted to communion on confession. Attendance upon the various services is growing. A promising catechetical class has been organized, and there is progress in every form of church work.

Woodstock—Though not able to report any increase of membership, is thankful for constant manifestations of the Divine presence and blessing. "Its Sabbath services have been well attended by earnest and devout

congregations, and the midweek prayer-meetings have been marked by much intelligent and holy fervor."

This Classis shows a net gain of forty-six members, a decrease of $852 for benevolent offerings and an increase of $590 for congregational purposes.

In the review of the statistical tables, which, together with the lists of ministerial changes, are herewith submitted, your committe note the following facts:

The whole number of communicant members received on confession is 952 or 59 more than last year; on certificate 382 or 139 less than last year, and the total additions are 1,334 or 80 less than last year. On the other hand, the number of dismissions or transfers to other churches has been 345, or 97 less than last year; the number suspended is 14, or 9 less than last year; and the number of deaths has been 430, or 42 more than last year. When from the total accession of 1,334 we deduct the total loss of 789, we would have a net gain of 545 in the membership. But such has been the revision of the lists that the total membership of the Synod as reported this year is 21,671, or a gain of only 363 over the number reported last year. This year there has been a gain of one church, of eight ministers and of thirty families.

In the amount of offerings this year there has been a decrease of $5,795 for the objects of our Denomination, of $2,212 for other benevolent objects and of $14,563 for congregational purposes—in all a diminution of $22,570.

But numerical comparisons, however significant in their proper places, are by no means the most important factor to be considered. The great question concerns the presence of the Lord among our churches, and surely there are tokens enough to fill our hearts with humble joy and gratitude, while at the same time we lament the feebleness of our faith, the languor of

our zeal and the slowness of our endeavors. If the Lord has so markedly blessed us in the past, what might we not expect from Him, if we should come up to a higher practical realization of our privilege and responsibility.

PHILIP PHELPS,

Chairman.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	375	30	19	20	..	8	*648	2	10	....	....	1	360	$3,010 00	$ 503 00	$9,495 00	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Edward G. Selden	321	13	4	7	..	10	519	2	9	....	....	2	596	5,839 00	2,720 00	10,461 00	Albany, N. Y.
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	120	5	....	6	..	3	*130	10	....	....	....	1	190	97 00	75 00	2,267 00	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	85	13	....	....	..	2	*117	6	....	22	12	1	160	63 00	6 00	1,674 00	Albany, N. Y.
Holland Albany	Martin Flipse	76	18	8	2	..	3	156	21	1	....	40	1	155	141 00	120 00	1,367 00	Albany, N. Y.
First Bethlehem	William H. Nasholds.	164	6	7	....	..	7	218	6	4	....	....	4	405	169 00	.....	1,833 00	Beckers Corners.
Second Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, S. C.	100	7	3	2	..	4	*225	4	2	....	50	1	150	211 00	5 00	1,625 00	Delmar, N. Y.
Second Berne	Vacant	32	....	....	....	..	....	60	....	....	....	14	1	80	16 00	18 00	386 00	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	Vacant	28	....	....	....	..	....	54	....	....	....	15	1	75	38 00	12 00	350 00	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	John Van Burk, S. S.	38	3	2	2	..	2	75	1	2	....	....	1	120	.....	.....	424 00	New Salem, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	110	5	1	1	..	3	*172	5	2	....	....	1	114	156 00	.....	1,411 00	Coeymans, N. Y.
Jerusalem	Theodore A. Beekman	86	4	2	4	..	2	133	3	3	....	....	1	100	13 00	.....	1,043 00	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem	John Van Burk, S. S.	80	2	2	2	..	2	*131	4	....	....	....	1	107	8 00	.....	683 00	New Salem, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant	30	....	1	....	..	1	50	1	....	....	....	1	35	.....	.....	131 00	Clarksville, N. Y.
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	97	14	2	4	..	3	181	7	7	....	....	1	144	212 00	21 00	1,695 00	New Baltimore, N. Y.
Union	T. A. Beekman, S. S.	40	....	....	....	..	....	30	....	....	....	....	1	58	2 00	.....	308 00	Union, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant	.....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1782	120	51	50	..	50	2899	72	40	22	131	20	2849	$9,987 00	$3,480 00	$35,153 00	

Other Ministers– J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore; A. Dickson, Lansingburgh; J. H. Enders, Fort Hunter; C. P. Evans, Albany; Andrew Parsons, Catskill.

*Revised List.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Athens	Wm. W. Schomp	109	1	1	3	..	3	159	2	1	39	....	2	188	$ 334 04	.....	$1,792 96	Athens, N. Y.
Second Athens	C. M. Perlee, S. S.	20	1	0	0	..	1	26	0	1	10	....	1	65	13 36	.....	181 39	Leeds, N. Y.
First Catskill	Evert Van Slyke	195	5	4	7	..	6	606	5	2	276	300	1	300	1,249 99	$169 49	5,558 00	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	Vacant	100	10	1	3	..	4	205	3	6	40	100	3	250	205 95	47 00	1,791 98	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	140	2	4	5	..	3	273	9	2	....	....	(1) 2	193	846 32	85 42	2,466 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Wm. D. Ward	65	10	2	2	..	4	197	7	5	33	....	2	100	138 71	30 00	850 96	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	74	5	3	†2	..	....	121	5	3	28	....	*3	170	155 44	67 72	1,556 64	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		703	34	15	22	..	21	1587	31	20	426	400	14	1266	$2,943 81	$399 63	$14,197 93	

Other Ministers—B. VanZandt, Catskill, N. Y.; Arthur J. Smith, 815 East 134th St., New York City. †Omitted from last year's report.

Candidates—E. O. Chickering. H. C. Cussler. *2 Union. (1) One Union.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam	J. R. Kyle	95	....	4	....	..	4	148	3	....	....	....	1	212	$235 77	$ 64 59	$ 1,484 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Amsterdam, Trinity	E. J. Blekkink, P. E.	39	11	10	....	..	1	41	9	5	....	....	1	.....	40 00	.....	300 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. Campbell Boyd, S.S.	46	6	....	1	..	1	72	....	5	11	75	1	90	43 00	10 00	507 06	Fonda, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Mark A. Denman	170	13	6	3	..	7	319	11	4	....	....	1	200	336 84	212 50	2,550 00	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Canastota																		
Chittenango																		
Cicero																		
Columbia	Vacant	36	2	....	2	..	3	48	....	....	....	....	1	44	.....	.....	125 00	Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville	Vacant	40	13	2	....	..	....	63	....	11	....	....	1	68	25 00	.....	385 00	Cranesville, N. Y.
Currytown	Peter S. Beekman	31	4	1	1	..	3	*70	....	1	....	....	1	40	143 35	62 00	714 64	Currytown, N. Y.
East Palatine	Vacant	21	....	....	2	..	....	17	....	....	....	....	1	26	8 79	.....	172 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Ephratah	P. Q. Wilson, S. S.	70	4	1	....	..	....	55	10	2	....	....	2	100	.....	.....	900 00	Ephratah, N. Y.
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	2	1	....	..	1	100	....	....	....	....	1	150	98 50	17 00	1,000 00	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	J. A. De Baun	214	13	6	4	..	7	429	3	9	....	210	2	350	438 82	157 61	2,154 96	Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Albert Dod Minor	30	....	....	....	..	....	15	....	....	....	....	2	55	4 00	.....	85 00	Mohawk, N. Y.
Fort Plain	Edward A. Mc Cullum	185	35	8	1	..	7	310	22	22	....	200	1	260	619 00	31 00	3,020 00	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	Wm. Schmitz	109	7	2	2	..	3	121	....	7	....	....	1	151	430 00	174 00	2,318 00	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	J. S. Hogan, P. E.	66	....	4	2	..	4	*63	2	....	....	50	2	200	84 45	24 37	730 74	Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman's	Wm. A. Wurts	94	6	3	5	..	4	123	....	4	....	60	1	115	19 76	15 00	713 00	Hagaman's, N. Y.
Henderson																		
Herkimer	John G. Gebhard	165	22	4	2	..	6	262	13	5	75	113	1	133	395 00	72 00	2,150 00	Herkimer, N. Y.

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		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Manheim	F. W. Ruhl	25	1	1	....	..	1	38	2	....	....	....	1	48	8 00	.....	467 94	Ingham's Mills, N. Y.
Mapletown																		
Mohawk	Ira Van Allen	*60	....	5	....	1	....	130	....	....	....	....	1	130	94 35	15 00	1,505 00	Mohawk, N. Y.
Naumburgh	William F. Barny	18	2	....	....	..	....	*34	1	....	35	....	1	38	20 00	.....	248 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
New Bremen	William F. Barny	6	....	....	....	..	....	*18	....	....	7	....	....	....	6 00	.....	68 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
Owasco																		
Owasco Outlet	Vacant	35	1	2	....	..	1	61	....	1	....	....	2	60	15 11	3 00	493 70	Auburn, N. Y.
Point Rock	F. E. Schleider, S. S.	14	....	....	....	..	....	27	4	....	....	....	....	....	7 50	.....	87 33	West Leyden, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	Chas. W. Kinney	123	5	3	....	..	4	221	2	1	....	....	1	160	24 75	16 00	1,334 00	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thomson	54	1	....	1	..	1	82	2	1	....	67	1	67	148 35	8 00	705 04	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia																		
Syracuse	Henry D. B. Mulford	162	17	6	5	..	5	342	4	2	....	231	2	460	1,021 09	415 22	5,495 67	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Isles	George Z. Collier	100	1	....	2	1	3	95	1	1	30	40	1	100	263 74	112 50	1,018 00	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Vacant	53	....	....	8	..	....	120	....	....	....	....	1	130	274 06	818 38	4,212 38	Utica, N. Y.
West Leyden	Fred. E. Schlieder	30	....	....	....	..	....	47	5	....	....	9	1	36	40 00	.....	252 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
	Total	2161	166	69	41	2	66	3495	94	81	158	1055	33	3432	$4,946 *	$2,221	$35,197	

Other Ministers—The Rev. Guido F. Verbeck, Tokio, Japan; Rev. Daniel Lord, Jordanville, N. Y.; Rev. R. R. Williams, Brooklyn, N. Y., 124 St. James Place; Rev. J. B. Thyne, Johnstown, N. Y.; Joseph Knieskern, Courtland, N. Y.; Chas. Maar, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Prof. Oren Root, Clinton, N. Y. *Revised.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.				Post Office Address
															Benevolent.				
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.		
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	375	30	19	20	..	8	*648	2	10	....	....	1	380	$3,010 00	$ 503 00	$9,495 00		Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Edward G. Selden	321	13	4	7	..	10	519	2	9	....	....	2	596	5,839 00	2,720 00	10,461 00		Albany, N. Y.
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	120	5	....	6	..	3	*130	10	....	....	....	1	190	97 00	75 00	2,267 00		Albany, N. Y.
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	85	13	....	....	..	2	*117	6	....	22	12	1	160	63 00	6 00	1,674 00		Albany, N. Y.
Holland Albany	Martin Flipse	76	18	8	2	..	3	156	21	1	....	40	1	155	141 00	120 00	1,367 00		Albany, N. Y.
First Bethlehem	William H. Nasholds	164	6	7	....	..	7	218	6	4	....	....	4	405	169 00	.....	1,833 00		Beckers Corners.
Second Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, S. C.	100	7	3	2	..	4	*225	4	2	....	50	1	150	211 00	5 00	1,625 00		Delmar, N. Y.
Second Berne	Vacant	32	....	....	....	..	....	60	....	....	....	14	1	80	16 00	18 00	386 00		Knox, N. Y.
Knox	Vacant	28	....	....	....	..	....	54	....	....	....	15	1	75	38 00	12 00	350 00		Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	John Van Burk, S. S.	38	3	2	2	..	2	75	1	2	....	....	1	120	.....	.....	424 00		New Salem, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	110	5	1	1	..	3	*172	5	2	....	....	1	114	156 00	.....	1,411 00		Coeymans, N. Y.
Jerusalem	Theodore A. Beekman	86	4	2	4	..	2	133	3	3	....	....	1	100	13 00	.....	1,043 00		Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem	John Van Burk, S. S.	80	2	2	2	..	2	*131	4	....	....	....	1	107	8 00	.....	683 00		New Salem, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant	30	....	1	....	..	1	50	1	....	....	....	1	35	.....	.....	131 00		Clarksville, N. Y.
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	97	14	2	4	..	3	181	7	7	....	....	1	144	212 00	21 00	1,695 00		New Baltimore, N. Y.
Union	T. A. Beekman, S. S.	40	....	....	....	..	....	30	....	....	....	....	1	58	2 00	.....	308 00		Union, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant	.....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	12 00	.....	.....		Westerlo, N. Y.
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CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
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First Catskill	Evert Van Slyke	195	5	4	7	..	6	606	5	2	276	300	1	300	1,249 99	$169 49	5,558 00	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	Vacant	100	10	1	3	..	4	205	3	6	40	100	3	250	205 95	47 00	1,791 98	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
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Kiskatom	Wm. D. Ward	65	10	2	2	..	4	197	7	5	33	....	2	100	138 71	30 00	850 96	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	74	5	3	*2	..	....	121	5	3	28	....	*3	170	155 44	67 72	1,556 64	Leeds, N. Y.
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CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	J. H. VanDoren, S. S.	32	11	10	1	..	....	40	....	5	12	22	1	110	$ 35	$ 3	$ 707	Bath-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Bloomingrove	Minor Swick, S. S.	65	....	...	2	..	....	80	....	1	....	10	1	90	152	14	1,162	Defriestville, N. Y.
Castleton (Emmanuel)	E. E. Thomas, (P E.)	+110	....	....	....	..	....	+220	....	....	....	+165	+4	+390	.....	.....	.....	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Theo. S. Brown, S. S.	105	6	5	4	..	6	*178	....	5	....	....	1	166	369	50	1,750	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	DeWitt B. Wyckoff	74	10	5	4	..	2	*130	2	7	45	20	2	115	209	13	1,587	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Isaac S. Schenck	75	4	....	....	..	1	174	6	1	....	....	1	100	68	17	972	Stockport, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	110	2	1	1	..	8	204	2	2	....	156	1	156	211	36	1,596	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier	145	38	2	1	..	9	301	11	13	....	90	2	170	1,328	134	2,147	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	129	5	4	1	..	5	224	1	6	....	....	1	159	159	5	3,350	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Vacant	25	5	....	....	..	1	50	2	....	....	....	1	40	13	.....	283	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	John F. Shaw	80	2	1	....	..	4	150	2	....	....	....	2	170	205	16	1,262	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Josiah E. Crane	93	5	2	2	..	4	135	3	1	....	....	1	130	188	6	1,233	Schodack Landing, N.Y.
Stuyvesant	Geo. W. Furbeck	60	4	....	1	..	3	107	5	2	....	....	1	83	252	13	1,141	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	Vacant	45	....	....	....	..	1	69	5	....	....	....	1	70	23	.....	531	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
Total		1148	92	30	17	..	44	2071	39	43	57	463	20	1949	$3,212	$307	$17,721	

Other Ministers—Rev. Elbert Nevius, retired, Stuyvesant, N. Y.; Rev. John B. Drury, D. D., *Ed. Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. Y.

*Revised List. +Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe	Henry Hospers, Jr.	83	13	....	2	..	4	199	8	....	....	78	1	140	$ 88 80	.....	$ 842 84	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	Vacant	39	.....	....	2	..	2	108	.....	.....	.....	....	1	70	18 95	.....	206 08	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	J. Van Westenburg, S.C	71	24	6	1	..	2	126	22	....	144	56	1	185	159 67	$36 14	1,545 86	Brighton, N. Y.
Clymer Hill	P. G. M. Bahler	83	1	....	1	1	1	179	3	....	207	41	1	83	149 79	22 46	778 25	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	M. Ossewarde	121	14	7	4	2	2	268	9	....	....	....	1	103	160 27	34 96	1,160 22	E. Williamson, N. Y.
Christ Ch. Buffalo	J. Boehrer	30	9	....	2	1	1	58	14	....	95	9	2	80	19 50	6 00	998 58	49 Barthel St., Buffalo.
Farmer	E. B. Van Arsdale	140	1	1	8	..	7	235	....	1	....	....	1	218	210 09	301 71	1,660 07	Farmer, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	3	4	1	..	5	186	2	1	....	....	1	165	187 65	29 00	*1,341 75	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	P. Ihrman	139	21	11	8	..	4	301	37	3	300	50	1	200	96 11	4 37	1,348 03	Marion, N. Y.
Palmyra	W. Lubach	65	9	4	3	1	1	160	14	....	....	50	1	88	56 00	.....	583 00	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	72	7	5	3	..	4	155	7	....	....	....	1	108	70 25	18 34	932 04	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	188	1	2	2	2	8	341	21	....	....	55	1	225	402 88	173 76	3,224 43	51 Ontario St. Rochester
Second Rochester	W. H. Bates, P. E.	86	5	7	3	..	2	215	12	....	104	....	1	263	362 00	23 00	2,357 88	Rochester, N. Y.
Tyre	Vacant	*35	1	....	2	..	2	40	....	....	42	25	2	110	79 00	.....	250 00	Magee's Corners, N. Y.
Total		1252	109	47	42	7	45	2571	149	7	892	364	16	2038	$2,060 96	$649 74	$17,229 03	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. B. Veenhuizen, Emeritus, Pultneyville, N. Y.

*Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	37	8	3	5	1		73	....	4	....	45	1	60	$30 00		$ 459 22	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Robert Hogan, P. E.	40	....	....	....	....	....	56	....	....	....	....	1	71	....	....	....	
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser	260	14	1	7	..	6	*450	8	5	....	289	1	339	675 15	$215 11	4,501 38	Cohoes, N. Y.
Fort Miller	John E. Hainer	51	5	....	2	....	....	128	....	12	....	....	1	101	30 00	....	411 47	Fort Miller, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Nelson J. Gulick	40	1	3	4	....	....	61	1	1	1	30	1	100	45 00	1 00	450 00	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Greenwich	Frank C. Schoville	95	19	5	4	..	3	202	2	11	....	....	1	120	295 70	25 00	1,905 77	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	Nelson J. Gulick	50	3	6	4	....	....	105	1	3	....	25	1	125	100 00	56 00	1,000 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John A. Hainer	116	2	3	10	..	5	331	3	....	....	....	1	163	119 00	25 00	1,602 33	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	George E. Macardel	41	2	....	....	..	2	87	....	1	17	27	1	64	....	....	760 00	Reynolds, N. Y.
West Troy, North	C. B. F. Pease	170	....	....	2	..	4	277	3	....	....	62	1	167	256 56	148 53	2,980 00	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Vacant	36	....	....	....	....	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	75 85	....	....	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	P. A. Wessels, S. S.	65	2	2	7	..	2	89	1	....	15	20	1	80	154 19	....	1,199 40	Wynantskill, N. Y.
Total		1001	56	23	45	..	23	1894	19	37	33	498	11	1410	$1,181 45	$470 64	$15,219 57	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Middle Falls, Washington Co., N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.; Rev. Geo. I. Taylor, No. 199 N. 3d St., Newark, N. J.: Rev. J. G. Ogden, 112 W. 78 St., New York City; Rev. John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y. *Revised Roll.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Schenectady	Albert C. Sewall	304	19	13	8	..	8	509	20	4	....	....	3	642	$1,027 40	$103 00	$5,981 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Second Schenectady	Philip H. Cole	205	16	9	6	..	5	317	10	4	....	....	1	300	262 13	97 71	3,276 27	Schenectady, N. Y.
First Glenville	T. E. Morton	108	....	1	2	..	3	246	....	....	....	....	2	138	181 00	.....	1,086 21	Glenville, N. Y.
Second Glenville	M. R. Gordon	86	18	3	....	..	5	167	1	9	....	....	3	214	111 55	10 00	2,336 65	Scotia, N. Y.
First Rotterdam‡	Alexander Hill	180	20	5	....	..	5	126	12	11	....	....	3	275	108 00	175 00	1,600 00	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Second Rotterdam	John C. Knox	60	12	....	5	1	3	112	2	5	....	....	1	125	131 64	7 72	1,616 96	Schenectady, N. Y.
Helderberg-Altamont	Bergen B. Staats	180	6	2	3	..	6	405	2	1	191	150	3	300	183 00	31 00	1,843 00	Guilderland Centre, N.Y
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars, (S. C.)	125	24	5	11	..	7	267	8	5	110	180	2	275	563 67	28 15	1,456 90	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Lisha's Kill	C. A. Conant	45	20	3	8	..	3	138	1	11	....	125	2	135	57 41	.....	888 93	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	75	3	2	5	..	3	123	3	1	....	102	1	138	82 00	30 00	969 52	Vischer's Ferry.
Princetown	T. C. Johnston, S. S.	105	5	1	5	..	6	265	8	....	....	....	2	150	88 73	17 65	1,303 79	Giffords, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant	L. Vanderveer, S. S.	40	11	1	1	..	1	54	7	4	....	40	1	145	19 60	2 00	693 28	Schenectady, N. Y.
Bellevue	J. B. Thyne, S. S.	51	4	17	....	..	....	21	1	3	....	....	1	160	2 25	1 50	135 95	Schenectady, N. Y.
Total		1564	158	62	54	1	55	2750	75	58	301	597	25	2997	$2,828 38	$503 73	$23,188 47	

Other Ministers—Rev. D. B. Hall, Duanesburg, N. Y.; Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y. ‡Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	*Vacant	45	22	1	10	..	1	76	1	16	....	....	1	60	.....	.....	$ 440 00	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	*Vacant	58	12	10	3	..	4	82	....	6	24	35	1	60	$ 45 60	.....	340 89	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	Philip Phelps	41	....	....	2	..	....	65	3	....	5	.....	1	104	46 00	.....	460 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Central Bridge	*Vacant	22	3	1	4	..	1	28	1	2	....	.....	1	40	21 01	$ 5 00	173 75	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Evert J. Blekkink	51	16	6	....	..	1	67	....	13	....	....	1	65	11 05	.....	1,041 38	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Vacant	10	....	....	....	..	....	10	....	....	....	.....	1	30	.....	.....	.....	Eminence, N. Y.
Gallupville	F. A. Force	34	....	....	2	..	1	69	....	....	....	.....	1	83	28 78	3 75	601 74	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	John H. Scarlet	56	4	2	....	..	3	†100	....	....	....	.....	1	63	13 70	18 00	835 25	Gilboa, N. Y.
Howe's Cave	*Vacant	62	4	....	2	..	1	56	....	2	11	100	1	100	38 59	36 11	237 74	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	Evert J. Blekkink	53	7	1	2	..	1	74	2	2	....	.....	2	150	146 00	.....	805 06	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Charles W. Pitcher	105	11	3	....	..	3	179	1	4	....	30	1	71	99 30	53 23	1,552 74	Middleburgh, N. Y.
Moresville	.....	12	....	....	....	..	....	18	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Grand Gorge, N. Y.
North Blenheim	Philip Phelps	45	2	3	1	..	2	53	....	....	....	.....	‡1	.....	36 00	.....	730 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	John H. Scarlet, S. S.	42	....	....	....	..	....	28	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Gilboa, N. Y.
Schoharie	Wm. C. Handy	60	6	2	3	..	4	133	6	6	....	.....	1	95	210 79	42 25	1,849 91	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Philip T. Phelps	58	....	....	5	..	4	97	1	....	....	.....	1	78	50 25	4 65	688 09	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	Vacant	24	4	....	....	..	....	65	....	2	10	.....	1	45	10 00	.....	420 62	South Gilboa, N. Y.
Total	.....	778	90	29	34	..	26	1200	15	53	50	165	16	1044	$757 07	$162 99	$10,177 08	

Other Ministers—Rev. Edward Miller, Lawyersville, N. Y.; Rev. Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; Rev. John S. Lott, 54 Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. John G. Fagg; Rev. D. K. Van Doren, Dist. Supt. American Bible Society, Mechanicsville, N. Y., Stated Clerk.

*Has called pastor. †Sabbath School suspended on account of alterations in church building. ‡Revised List.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.				Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent.		Congregational.		
															Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.			
Blue Mountain	Vacant	160	4	1	....	..	5	248	8	....	16	48	2	140	22 00	.....	614 14		Fawns, N. Y.
Esopus	H. P. L. Wheaton	65	....	1	5	..	2	167	...	....	....	....	2	208	117 02	3 44	849 16		Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWitt	93	3	5	4	..	3	171	6	....	85	40	3	300	186 07	.....	1,150 00		Glasco, N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	100	2	1	1	..	2	177	2	....	103	100	1	106	648 75	53 20	1,212 00		Katsbaan, N. Y.
Kingston	J. G Van Slyke	265	23	13	1	..	10	625	5	5	....	....	1	375	800 00	300 00	10,000 00		Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen	B. C. Lippincott, S. C.	110	24	4	....	3	6	245	11	11	....	....	1	230	166 54	5 20	1,635 00		Port Ewen, N Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Roe	160	3	4	7	..	....	252	15	....	....	....	3	244	57 54	.....	1,568 00		Cockburn, N. Y.
Roxbury	N. H Demarest	70	7	....	2	..	3	71	7	5	....	....	1	50	61 13	5 00	3,084 25		Roxbury, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	205	5	13	8	..	5	404	5	2	....	....	1	219	437 52	205 00	2,763 00		Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	Geo. Niemeyer	45	4	....	1	..	1	57*	....	2	....	30	1	48	13 82	.....	362 00		Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	Geo. Niemeyer	95	32	7	3	1	2	154*	4	22	....	130	1	130	39 66	.....	1172 87		Shokan, N Y
Stewartville	Vacant	12	....	....	....	..	....	20	....	....	....	....	1	25	.....	.....	81 50		West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	Vacant	58	....	1	2	..	5	93	....	....	....	....	1	115	.....	.....	.....		West Hurley, N. Y.
Wiltwyck	J. Edgar Winne	90	24	6	....	..	1	123	9	14	30	20	1	250	110 58	.....	616 22		Kingston, N. Y.
Woodstock	Henry Boggis	64	....	....	4	..	2	97	....	....	....	....	1	120	10 50	13 59	937 72		Woodstock, N. Y.
Total		1592	131	56	38	4	47	2904	72	61	234	368	21	2560	$2,671 13	$585 43	$26,045 86		

Other Ministers—Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; Calvin Case, Brodhead, N. Y; W. A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; S. T. Cole, Katrine, N Y.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT ON THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

CLASSES.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			STATED CLERKS.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	17	16	....	1782	120	51	50	..	50	2899	72	40	22	131	20	2849	$9,987	$3,480	$35, 53	J. Lansing Pearse.
Greene	7	7	2	703	34	15	22	..	21	1587	31	20	426	400	14	1266	2,944	399	4,198	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	36	30	...	2161	166	69	41	2	66	3795	94	81	158	1055	33	3432	4,946	2,221	35,197	Wm. Schmitz.
Rensselaer	14	14	....	1148	92	30	17	..	44	2071	89	43	57	403	20	1949	3,212	307	17,721	Edward A Collier.
Rochester	14	13	....	1252	109	47	42	7	45	2571	49	7	892	364	16	2038	2,061	650	17,229	J. VanWestenburg.
Saratoga	12	14	....	1001	56	23	45	..	23	1894	19	37	33	498	14	1410	1,181	471	15,220	Oliver H. Walser.
Schenectady	13	15	....	1564	158	62	54	1	55	2750	75	58	301	597	25	2997	2,818	504	23,188	C. P Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	12	....	778	90	29	34	..	26	1200	15	53	50	165	16	1044	757	163	10,177	D. K Van Doren.
Ulster	15	15	....	1592	131	56	38	4	47	2904	72	61	234	368	21	2560	2,671	585	26,046	B. C. Lippencott.
Total	145	136	2	11981	956	382	343	14	377	21671	566	400	2173	4041	176	19544	$30,577	$8,780	$194,129	

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Received.

Rev. Martin Flipse, Licentiate from the Classis of New Brunswick, June 1, 1893.

Rev. Edward Griffin Selden from the Congregational church of Springfield, Mass., Oct. 10, 1893.

Rev. Theo. A. Beekman from the Classis of Schoharie, Dec. 18, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. Martin Flipse, over the Holland Reformed church of Albany. June 1, 1893.

Rev. Edward G. Selden, over the Madison Ave., church, Albany, October 10, 1892.

Rev. Theo. A. Beekman, over Jerusalem church, January 17, 1894.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. John H. Scarlet and the church of Jerusalem, May 15, 1892.

Between Rev. Andrew Parsons and the churches of Knox and Second Berne, April 1, 1894.

T. E. Morton and the churches of New Salem and Clarksville, September 19, 1894.

Dismissed.

Rev. John H. Scarlett to Classis of Schoharie, May 15, 1893.

Rev. T. E. Morton to Classis of Schenectady, September 19, 1893.

Rev. Andrew Parsons, Classis of Greene, April 18, 1894.

Classis of Greene.

Received.

Licentiate, William Davis Ward, from the Classis of Bergen, July 25, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. William Davis Ward over the church of Kiskatom, N. Y., July 26, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. K. Hageman and the First church of Coxsackie, N. Y., March 28, 1894.

Dismissed.

Rev. Peter K. Hageman to Classis of Monmouth. March 28, 1894.

Classis of Montgomery.

Received.

The student, Wm. F. Barney, from the German Theological School of Bloomfield, N. J., June 29, 1893.

Rev. Wm. A. Wurts, from the Classis of Schoharie October 17, 1893.

Rev. Peter S. Beekman from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, October 17, 1893.

Rev. P. L. Wilson from the Classis of Ulster, April 16, 1894.

Installed.

Rev. Wm. F. Barney, over the churches of Naumburg and New Bremen, August 16, 1893.

Rev. Wm. A. Wurts, over the church of Hagaman's, October 17, 1893.

Rev. Peter S. Beekman, over the church of Currytown, November 9, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. H. H. Sangree and the churches of Currytown and Mapletown, May 1, 1893.

Between Rev. Charles Maar and the church of Owasco Outlet September 18, 1893.

Between Rev. Prof. Oren Root, D. D., and the church of Utica, December 18, 1893.

Between Rev. J. A. Thomson and the church of East Palatine, April 16, 1894.

Between Rev. J. A. Beattie and the church of Amsterdam Trinity, April 16, 1894.

Dismissed.

Rev. H. H. Sangree to Classis of Lancaster R. C. U. S., May 1, 1893.

Rev. M. G. Hansen to Classis of Newark, Sept. 12, 1893.

Rev. J. A. Beattie to Classis of Arcot, April 16, 1894.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Received.

Rev. Eugene E. Thomas, from the Classis of Westchester, April 18, 1894.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Louis Hieber and the church of Stuyvesant Falls, October 3, 1893.

Dismissed.

Rev. Isaac Van Kampen, Licentiate, to the Classis of Paramus, May 22, 1893.

Rev. Louis Hieber, to the North Classis of Long Island, October 3, 1893.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Received.

Rev. E. B. Van Arsdale, Licentiate, from the Classis of Paramus, July 27, 1893.

Rev. H. Hospers, Jr., Licentiate, from the Classis of Iowa.

Installed.

Rev. E. B. Van Arsdale over the church of Farmer, N. Y., August 8, 1893.

Rev. H. Hospers. Jr., over Abbe church, Clymer N. Y., November 16, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. J. Hoffman and Abbe church, Clymer N. Y., April 19, 1893.

Dismissed.

Rev. J. Hoffman to North Classis of Long Island April 19, 1893.

Died.

Rev. A. M. Mann, D. D., July, 1893.

Rev. G. J. Renskers, October, 1893.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Received.

Rev. C. B. F. Pease, from the Cong. Conference of the churches of Franklin County, Mass.

Rev. P. A. Wessels, from the Classis of Illinois.

Installed.

Rev. G. E. Macardel over the church of Schaghticoke, December 12.

Rev. C. B. F. Pease over the church of West Troy, N. Y., November 8.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. G. E. Macardel and the church of Boght.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Received.

Rev. Thomas E. Morton from the Classis of Albany, September 19, 1893.

Rev. Chas. A. Conant from the Presbytery of Albany, April 17, 1894.

Installed.

Rev. Thomas E. Morton, over the First church of Glenville, October 10, 1793.

Dismissed.

Rev. Isaac L. Kip to Classis of Raritan, May, 1893.

Died.

Rev. Wm. P. Davis, January 7, 1894.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Received.

Rev. John H. Scarlet from the Classis of Albany.

Installed.

Rev. Wm. C. Handy, over the church of Schoharie.

Rev. John H. Scarlet, over the church of Gilboa.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. T. A. Beekman and the churches of Howe's Cave and Central Bridge.

Between Rev. E. J. Blekkenk and the churches of Cobleskill and Lawyersville, N. Y.

Dismissed.

Rev. Wm. A. Wurts to Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. T. A. Beekman to Classis of Albany.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Received.

Rev. George Neimeyer from the Classis of Passaic, October 3, 1893.

Installed.

Rev. George Neimeyer, over the churches of Shokan and Shandakan, October 31, 1893.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. R. M. Stanborough and the church of West Hurley, October 10. 1863.

ARTICLE IX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The Rev. Peter Stryker, D. D., as representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Rev. John S. Gardner, as representative of the Board of Domestic Missions, and the Rev. Denis Wortman, D. D., made addresses on the evening of the second day.

The Rev. D. K. Van Doren, on the second day presented the cause of the American Bible Society, when it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Particular Synod be given to Rev. D. K. Van Doren for the presentation of the claims of the American Bible Society, and that the Society and its needs be commended anew to our churches and members for remembrance both in prayers and in offerings.

ARTICLE X.

DELEGATES TO SYNOD.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classes. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. Henry Miller,	Rev. C. W. Burrows,
" Martin Flipse,	" Theo. A. Beekman,
" J. Lansing Pearse,	" C. P. Evans.
ELDERS :	**ELDERS :**
John C. Bogardus,	Henry Clarke,
W. L. M. Phelps,	Hiram Schermerhorn,
J. V. D. H. Bradt,	Daniel Hiller.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. F. S. Barnum,	Rev. Wm. W. Schomp,
" Wm. D. Ward,	" E. Van Slyke. D. D
" Arthur J. Smith,	" C. M. Perlee.
ELDERS :	**ELDERS :**
C. J. Collier,	A. G. Case,
Frederick Saxe,	Thomas Bell,
S. T. Burroughs,	F. R. Lape.

Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS ;
Rev. E. A. McCullum,	Rev. Wm. A. Wurts,
" Wm. Schmitz,	" J. G. Gebhard,
" J. B. Thyne,	" F. W. Ruhl,
" Geo. Z. Collier,	" C. W. Kinney,
" H. D. B. Mulford,	" I. Van. Allen,
" M. A. Denman,	" J. A. Thomson,
ELDERS :	**ELDERS :**
A. Dunn,	J. H. Whitman,
Wm. H. Wemple,	H. Churchill,
Jacob Hees,	H. Loucks,
M. M. Bagg, M. D.,	O. C. Van Evera,
A Smith,	N. W. Donnan,
I. J. Everson,	R. Dievendorf.

Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. Edward A. Collier,	Rev. Josiah E. Crane,
" J. Perry Beaver,	" Geo. W. Furbeck,
" John F. Shaw,	" J. H. Van Doren.
ELDERS :	**ELDERS :**
Sylvester F. Kittle	Geo. E. Barringer,
Martin Streaver,	H. H. Lovejoy,
Wm. H. Rainey,	A. L. Schermerhorn.

Classis of Rochester.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. M. Van Doren,	Rev. J. Van Westenburg,
" S. A. Schilstra,	" P. G. M. Bahler,
" H. Hospers, Jr.,	" M. Ossewarde.
ELDERS :	**ELDERS :**
J. B. Pike,	J. Van Doorn,
L. Van Burg,	C. Le Roy,
Wm. Schoonmaker,	A. W. Hopeman.

Classis of Saratoga.

MINILTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. N. J. Gulick,	Rev. C. B. F. Pease,
" John E. Hainer,	" J. G. Smart,
" G. E Macardel,	" O. H. Walser.
ELDERS :	**ELDERS :**
John Wagman,	J. H. Thompson,
E. Whiteside,	S. Fonda,
Samuel Wells,	E. D. Wilcox.

Classis of Schenectady.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. Philip H. Cole,	Rev. C. P. Ditmars.
" Bergen B. Staats,	" Lauren Vanderveer,
" John C. Knox,	" Albert C. Sewall.
ELDERS :	**ELDERS :**
T. C. Pearse,	F. J. Onderdonk,
John S. Lansing,	J. H. Quackenbush,
J. K. Tullock,	Julius Zanders,

Classis of Schoharie.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. Philip Phelps,	Rev. W. C. Handy,
" P. T. Phelps,	" C. W. Pitcher,
" D. K. Van Doren,	" John H. Scarlet.
ELDERS :	ELDERS :
J. Van Wagonen,	S. K. Campbell,
W. E. Bassler,	G. L. Danforth,
H. A. Brown,	F. Casper.

Classis of Ulster.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. S. T. Cole,	Rev. N. H. Demarest,
" R. M. Stanbrough,	" H. Boggis,
" R. DeWitt,	" J. E. Winne.
ELDERS :	ELDERS :
B. M. Brink,	Jas. E. More,
Wm. Eckert,	Jas. Lown,
Andrew Brink,	A. Dederick.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: From 9 to 11:45 A. M., from 2 to 5 P. M., and from 7:45 P. M. until such hour as the Synod may adjourn.

On the evening of the first day an address was delivered by the Rev. Oliver H. Walser, on the subject, "The Higher Life."

The first half hour of the second day was spent in devotional service under the direction of the Vice-President, the Rev. J. Howard Van Doren.

The following appointments were made by the Committee on Religions Exercises for the communion on the afternoon of the second day. To preside and read the form, the President of Synod, the Rev. J. G. Van Slyke, D. D.; to distribute the bread, the Rev. Albert C. Sewall; to distribute the wine, the Rev. Frank C. Scoville; assisting elders, Charles Heidrick, Ezra Van Aken, L. L. Dean, Vischer Lansing.

Resolved, That the Particular Synod of Albany hereby expresses its appreciation of the courtesy of the pastor and consistory and members of the First Reformed church of Albany in their most generous entertainment of this body.

Resolved, That the invitation from the Reformed church of Saugerties to hold our next meeting in their church, be accepted.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have printed 425 copies of the minutes and to distribute them in the usual manner.

ARTICLE XII.

Resumption and Close.

The minutes were read and approved. The roll was called and all who were not excused were found present.

ARTICLE XIII.

Adjournment.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the Reformed church of Saugerties on the first Tuesday in May, 1895, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine. The exercises closed with prayer by the Rev. B. C. Lippencott, and the Benediction by the Vice-President.

JOHN G. VAN SLYKE, *President.*

J. HOWARD VAN DOREN, *Vice-President.*

E. B. Van Arsdale,
Josiah E. Crane, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the Minutes.

C. P. Ditmars, *Stated Clerk.*

PRESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1864—1894.

1864.	Rev,	J. B. TenEyck, Schodack Landing.
1865.	"	J. A. Lansing, D.D., Fonda.
1866.	"	Chas. Scott, D.D., 1st Kingston.
1867.	"	John L. McNair, 2nd Albany.
1868.	"	Philip Peltz, D. D., Saugerties.
1869.	"	B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
1870.	"	John A. DeBaun, D.D., W. Troy, (North)
1871.	"	S. J. Rogers, Kinderhook.
1872.	"	R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873.	"	J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874.	"	Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875.	"	Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876.	"	J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy, (South)
1877.	"	Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878.	"	J. Lansing, Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879.	"	Edw. A. Collier, Chatham Village.
1880.	"	George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881.	"	John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties,
1882.	"	Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883.	"	Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884.	"	Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885.	"	Andrew J. Hageman, Fort Plain.
1886.	"	James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
1887.	"	Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
1888.	"	John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889.	"	Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890.	"	Denis Wortman, D. D., 2nd Schenectady.
1891.	"	F. S. Barnum, 2nd Coxsackie.
1892.	"	Philip Furbeck, Schoharie.
1893.	"	Philip Phelps, D. D., Canajoharie.
1894.	"	John G. Van Slyke, D. D., 1st Albany.

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session, May 7th, 1895, at 3 o'clock, P. M., in the Reformed Church, of Saugerties, N. Y., and continued in session until 9:30 o'clock on Wednesday, May 8th.

The Synod was called to order by the retiring President, the Rev. John G. Van Slyke, D.D., who preached the Synodical Sermon, taking as his text Ephesians 1: 10.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were found present:

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. W. N. P. Dailey,	
" E. P. Johnson.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. F. S. Barnum,	A. G. Case,
" W. D. Ward,	J. H. Snyder,
" A. Parsons.	

From the Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. Wm. Schmitz,	James P. Van Evera,
" John G. Gebhard,	J. G. DeGraff.

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. Elbert Nevius,	Horton Harder.
" D. B. Wyckoff,	
" Theo. S. Brown,	
" Minor Swick.	

From the Classis of Rochester.

No representation.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. John E. Hainer.	Samuel Wells,
	H. McGaffin,
	G. L. Schuyler.

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. C. A. Conant,	E. B. Lansing,
" B. B. Staats,	Wm. H. Van Vranken,
" C. P. Ditmars,	John A. Ferguson.

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. H. H. Lipes,	D. O. Berger,
" H. B. Roberts,	T. J. Wood,
" Charles Maar,	W. E. Bassler,
" D. K. Van Doren.	

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. S. T. Cole,	Nathan Shoemaker,
" Richard DeWitt,	Thomas S. Smith,
" N. H. Demarest,	Sidney M. Terpening.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Rev. B. B. Staats was chosen President. The Rev. D. B. Wyckoff, Vice-President, and the Rev. H. B. Roberts, and W. N. P. Dailey, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. T. S. Brown,	J. G. DeGraff,
" S. T. Cole,	Samuel Wells.
" Charles Maar.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. John G. Gebhard,	D. O. Berger,
" W. D. Ward,	Wm. H. Van Vranken.
" D. K. Van Doren.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. J. G. VanSlyke, D. D.,	J. H. Snyder,
" N. H. Demarest,	W. E. Bassler.
" Minor Swick.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. D. B. Wyckoff,	A. G. Case,
" H. H. Lipes,	John A. Ferguson.
" A. Parsons.	

On the Treasury.

Rev. W. N. P. Dailey,	Nathan Shoemaker,
" C. A. Conant,	T. J. Wood,
" H. H. Lipes.	

On Nominations.

Rev. Wm. Schmitz,	E. B. Lansing,
" J. E. Hainer,	Samuel Wells.
" W. D. Ward.	

On Necrology.

Rev. John A. DeBaun, D. D.

On Religious Exercises.

Rev. F. S. Barnum,	H. McGaffin,
" Charles Maar,	Thomas S. Smith.
" Elbert Nevius.	

On Missions.

Rev. N. H. Demarest,	J. G. DeGraff,
" Minor Swick,	Horton Harder.
" C. P. Ditmars.	

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. Richard DeWitt,	Jas. P. VanEvera,
" H. B. Roberts,	G. L. Schuyler.
" D. B. Wyckoff.	

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's accounts and vouchers were received and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The delegates to General Synod, nominated by the several Classes, were received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The annual report of the Rev. J. H. Enders, Synodical Missionary Superintendent, was read and referred to the Committee on Missions.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the minutes of General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of New York, New Brunswick and Chicago were received.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods :

New York, Rev. W. N. P. Dailey.
New Brunswick, Rev. John G. Gebhard.
Chicago, Rev. N. H. Demarest.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted:

The Special Committee on Classical Assessment.

Your committee would respectfully report:

"The matter intrusted to our hands is of comparatively small consequence, but a slight sense of injustice in apportionment required a careful treatment, which we have endeavored to give. We have estimated what the percentage of assessment would be on the basis of membership, and also on the basis of congregational expenses as indicative of relative financial strength. One or two Classes are exceptionally weak, and in justice should have the benefit of some reduction. We have endeavored to make the percentage of assessment so equitable as to satisfy all. The committee further suggest that as some of our Classes are growing more rapidly than others, it might be well to have it understood that the matter should be revised every five years and so recommend.

The following are the percentages of assessment:

Albany, 16 per cent.
Greene, 8 per cent.
Montgomery, 18 per cent.
Rensselaer, 10 per cent.
Rochester, 7 per cent.
Saratoga, 9 per cent.
Schenectady, 12 per cent.
Schoharie, 7 per cent.
Ulster, 13 per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS WORTMAN,

Chairman.

On Religious Exercises.

Your committee would respectfully report the following arrangements for the next Synod:

For the evening of the first day that the Rev. Henry M. Cox, Chairman of Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence of General Synod, be invited to speak on that subject.

For the evening of the second day, beside the addresses of the representatives of the Mission Boards, that the Rev. E. A. Collier, D. D., be appointed to make an address on our "Western Educational Institutions."

F. S. BARNUM,
Chairman.

On Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology, take pleasure in reporting that as far as they are informed, no minister of our Church in this Particular Synod has died during the past year. This fact is without parallel, we are sure for many years past and moves our gratitude to the great Head of the Church, who has continued His servants each in His place for Him, to bear the burden and heat of the day or to stand and wait, but still to do the Lords' work by example, influence and prayer. Well may we work while the day lasts, and thank God that it lasts that we may work.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. DEBAUN,
Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee on Classical minutes would respectfully report:

That the minutes of all the nine Classes in the Particular Synod have been placed in their hands for examination and that they have been, for the most part, well kept.

Your Committee would call especial attention to the importance of the constitutional inquiries made at the spring session of the Classis.

As the answers to these inquiries constitute the epitome of the faithfulness of our churches to our fundamental denominational methods, it is desirable that the records of these answers be made not only with minute care, but also with uniformity. The examination of the records of constitutional inquiries of the churches of this Particular Synod shows general faithfulness to the interest of our denomination.

But 41 per cent. however, less than one-half of our ministers, teach the doctrines of our Reformed Church according to the order of the Heidelberg Catechism. While we do not consider this the time for discussing the reasons why the majority of our ministers have not kept their written promises in this matter, we do consider that the facts as shown by the records, should be brought into plain view.

It is further noticeable, that the catechising of the children and instruction of the youth of our churches have not been fully attended-to. In schools for secular instruction no teacher may hold a position who has not been thoroughly examined and approved as qualified for the work. Moreover the principal of our public schools knows what progress his pupils are making. There is no reason to believe that many of our pastors have such a system for the training of the children and youth of their congregations as will make him definitely aware of the state of their knowledge of the things of God.

With regard to the offerings made to the Boards and Funds of the Church it is noticeable that but 67 per cent. of the number of offerings which should be made were gathered. Your committee believes that every Church should have the opportunity of making an annual offering to every Board and Fund of the

On Missions.

The Committee on Missions respectfully report:

"The report of our Synodical Missionary Superintendent shows evidence of faithful and successful work, and we recommend our Brother, the Rev. J. H. Enders, to the confidence of the Classes and of the Churches.

The Mission Field, interfering with none other of our Church periodicals, has risen in a little more than a year from 400 to 2,800 copies of a monthly circulation. It conveys fresh and reliable news of all the missionary operations of our denomination. We recommend Pastors and Consistories within the bounds of this Synod to urge its circulation among the families of their respective congregations.

"*The Christian Endeavor Missionary League*" has grown steadily since its organization two years ago. It now enlists the contributions of 250 of our Christian Endeavor societies, 109 of which are pledged to give a definite amount yearly. In the year just closed it has given nearly $6,000 to our Mission Boards, Foreign and Domestic, and has done much to educate our young people in the grace of learning about and giving to the work of our own denomination. We approve of its methods and recommend it to the consideration and adoption of our Pastors and Consistories..

Your Committee have listened with great interest to the addresses of Rev. Herman Van Der Wart in behalf of the Home Missionary work and Rev. J. W. Conklin on behalf of the Foreign Missionary work.

We recommend the following:

The Particular Synod congratulates the Home Board upon its good financial strength and recommends it to the renewed and increased liberality of our churches.

We heard with deep sorrow the fact that our Reformed Churches have failed to give our Board of Foreign Missions the funds necessary to provide fully

for the work abroad, in which the Lord has blessed us, and that the Board contemplates the possibility of withdrawing from some one of their mission fields.

Resolved, That our Pastors and Consistories be informed of this painful possibility and that they be urged to take every means in their power to render it unnecessary. We cannot spare any part of the field which God has graciously entrusted to our care.

To interest our churches the more thoroughly in the matter of the extension of our Church at home and abroad, the Committee believe that the visitation of every Church within our bounds would be the most practical and effective way. The more thoroughly informed our people become, the more interested they would be.

We would therefore suggest the following for adoption:

"The Particular Synod of Albany urge upon every Classis to institute some method of individual Church visitation, at which time the subject of mission work at home and abroad shall be presented."

We also recommend the institution of the missionary monthly concert by the various Churches.

N. H. DEMAREST,
Chairman.

On Synodical Report.

In commenting on the Census of the Classes of the Particular Synod of Albany, we have occasion to recognize the gracious hand of God in the life of all the various Churches.

They all furnish grounds of encouragement, and exhibit indications of fidelity and consecration.

In some of our Churches, an unusual measure of the Divine Blessing is apparent in a goodly number of conversions. In others, the same blessing has taken other forms, in the strengthening of material interests, and the evident deepening of spiritnal life. Upon

some, rest shadows of discouragement, but from none, have the tokens of the Divine Presence been withdrawn. There has been a slow but substantial progress all along the line.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Reports the Churches well provided with organized agencies and apparently in excellent condition for work. Regret is expressed however that they cannot report any marked progress and that there has been on the contrary some falling off, both in the contributions for our Church Boards, and in the enrollment of Sunday Schools. Yet on the other hand, the gratifying results are noted of a gain in the number of communicants, and also in contributions for other than denominational objects. Special attention has been given to the C. E. work and to the instruction of the young in Bible Classes. Several of the Churches report also encouraging religious interest and spiritual ingathering.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

No Church of this Classis reports large additions to its membership, but all seem hopeful. The total increase of the seven churches is 55, while the net increase over last year is only five owing to loss of 50 by death and dismission.

One Church reports larger contribution to benevolence than in any former year.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Of the 37 Churches on roll of Classis, two refuse to recognize classical jurisdiction while seven others send no report.

Of the 24 which speak of their spiritual condition only one (New Bremen) speaks in a discouraging tone. The secret may be that it has only five families and 24 members on its roll.

Nearly all the Churches note large ingatherings. One Church has increased its membership 30 per cent.

At Johnstown a new Church has been organized, and in Syracuse another has been gathered, and Classis has been requested to organize it. Several report increased benevolent contributions, two or three stating that despite financial depression, their contribution for benevolence is greater than in any previous year. A general feeling of joy pervades the Classis, together with expressions of gratitude for financial as well as spiritual blessings.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

The report of the Classis of Rensselaer says that the review of the year "is on the whole reassuring" and shows indications of an approaching spiritual harvest. Several of the Churches report special religious interest and encouraging additions to the membership on confession of faith in Christ. On the whole, also, there has been a gain over last year in contributions for benevolent and congregational purposes and an increase in the number of communicants and of members. Hope and encouragement are expressed that the tide has turned from the low water mark of some years past both in contributions and spiritual ingathering, and that more blessed results are properly to be looked for in the future.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER

Testifies in a sorrowful strain that this body of Churches has hardly held its own, a fact which is attributed to the decadence of rural communities, and yet individual Churches report increase of membership.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Presents an encouraging showing. The net gain in membership is one hundred. An increase of interest in, and of contributions toward the Boards of Foreign and Domestic Missions is also noted.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Reports that several of its Churches are enjoying a rich measure of both spiritual and temporal prosperity. Others have had a more chequered experience of light and shadow, but none have occasion to bewail an entire withholding of the Divine favor.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Reports a net gain in Church membership of 39. The religious activity of its various Churches has not overflowed the banks of routine services and observances. Good faithful work, however, seems to have been done. There has been a material shrinkage in benevolent contributions, but unusual liberality has been displayed in improving several Church edifices.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Has not increased, either in the number of its Churches, or in the volume of Church membership. There has been a falling off in contributions for benevolence, due to the stringency of the times; and yet attendance upon the means of grace has not declined, and a healthy tone of working Church-life is generally exhibited in all the Churches. A comprehensive survey yields testimony to general prosperity.

JOHN G. VAN SLYKE,
Chairman.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	380	40	20	23	..	14	671	11	18	....	....	1	360	$2,547 98	$ 811 08	$ 8,806 20	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Edward G. Selden	322	14	12	15	..	9	511	7	5	....	....	2	523	5,625 26	2,974 88	10,920 00	Albany, N. Y.
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	111	17	3	2	..	2	145	15	3	....	....	1	154	111 00	185 00	2,500 00	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	89	7	....	....	..	1	121	8	....	16	7	1	172	85 00	5 00	2,209 91	Albany, N. Y.
Holland Albany	Martin Flipse	76	17	3	5	1	7	147	6	2	....	40	1	150	140 00	127 00	1,300 00	Albany, N. Y.
First Bethlehem	Wm H. Nasholds	166	9	2	3	..	3	223	....	4	....	....	5	430	85 86	121 99	1,304 91	Beckers Corners, N. Y.
Second Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, S. C.	100	....	5	8	..	3	219	12	....	....	50	1	160	246 00	30 00	1,155 00	Delmar, N. Y.
Second Berne	Henry Lockwood	32	....	....	....	..	3	68	....	....	....	....	1	80	.....	.....	133 42	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	Henry Lockwood	32	....	....	....	..	....	63	....	....	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	332 74	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	E. W. Greene, S. S.	40	18	1	....	..	2	109	....	13	....	....	1	135	24 18	59 58	300 00	New Salem, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	110	6	2	6	..	....	174	10	2	....	....	1	100	148 76	6 51	1,568 00	Coeymans, N. Y.
Jerusalem	Theo. A. Beekman	86	2	4	4	..	2	134	2	2	....	15	1	100	67 48	16 00	1,472 00	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem	E. W. Greene	80	23	7	1	..	2	163	2	13	....	....	1	104	12 21	31 30	4,586 42	New Salem, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant	30	1	....	1	..	2	30	....	1	....	....	1	30	.....	.....	85 42	Clarksville, N. Y.
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	96	1	4	2	..	5	179	....	....	....	....	1	114	207 80	44 34	2,169 65	New Baltimore, N. Y.
Union	T. A. Beekman, S. S.	38	....	1	....	..	2	31	....	....	....	....	1	73	11 00	2 70	385 00	Union, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant	33	11	....	....	..	4	68	....	9	....	....	1	85	51 40	39 74	410 26	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1821	171	64	70	1	61	3056	73	72	16	112	22	2770	$9,363 93	$4,455 12	$39,638 93	

Other Ministers—A. Dickson, Lansingburgh; J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore; C. P. Evans, Albany; J. H. Enders, Missionary Synodical Superintendent of P. S. A., Fort Hunter.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptised Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Athens	Wm. Wyckoff Schomp	110	7	....	6	..	5	160	4	2	42	....	2	195	$ 371 64	$ 44 35	$1,850 94	Athens, N. Y.
Second Athens	C. M. Perlee, S. S.	23	1	5	....	..	1	31	....	1	10	....	1	74	15 58	.....	243 06	Athens, N. Y.
First Catskill	Evert Van Slyke	199	3	6	2	..	4	614	1	1	276	135	1	210	1,154 39	140 64	3,423 18	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	Walter Winant	105	5	1	3	..	3	*202	1	3	39	100	3	252	136 39	24 50	1,567 44	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	145	8	3	4	..	8	284	15	4	25	....	†2	195	854 48	262 88	2,560 50	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Wm. Davis Ward	65	1	2	6	..	5	189	3	1	35	....	1	60	176 70	.....	1,087 56	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	75	7	6	1	..	2	134	....	6	27	54	†2	115	149 77	12 50	1,499 78	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		722	32	23	22	..	28	1,614	24	18	454	289	12	1101	$2,858 95	$484 87	$12,232 46	

Other Ministers—B. Van Zandt, Catskill, N. Y.; Andrew Parsons, Catskill, N. Y.; Arthur J. Smith, New Brunswick, N. J. Student, H. C. Cussler, New Brunswick, N. J.

*Revised list.

†One Union School.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam	J. R. Kyle	95	8	1	4	..	2	178	5	4	....	....	1	236	$283 00	$ 61 00	$1,380 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Amsterdam, Trinity	E. J. Blekkink	60	8	14	....	..	1	59	5	....	....	....	1	143	29 00	20 00	645 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. Campbell Boyd, S. S.	45	2	....	5	..	1	68	....	....	10	75	1	102	29 00	30 00	523 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Mark A. Denman	170	10	2	2	..	3	326	10	6	....	200	1	200	286 00	163 00	2,736 00	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Cicero	Vacant	30	....	....	....	..	....	24	....	....	....	....	1	70	.....	.....	.....	Cicero, N. Y.
Columbia	Vacant	36	4	2	3	..	1	50	....	2	....	....	1	48	22 00	10 00	400 00	Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville	E. J. Blekkink, S. S.	45	2	....	....	..	1	65	3	....	....	....	1	60	3 00	40 00	395 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Currytown	Peter S. Beekman	34	23	2	1	..	1	94	....	13	....	20	1	55	156 00	88 00	842 00	Currytown, N. Y.
East Palatine	Vacant	‡21	....	....	....	..	....	17	....	....	....	....	1	26	.....	.....	.....	McKinley, N. Y.
Ephratah	Peter Q. Wilson, S. S.	70	4	2	2	..	1	60	....	....	....	....	2	100	5 00	.....	725 00	Ephratah, N. Y.
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	18	5	1	..	....	110	4	11	....	....	1	150	80 00	30 00	1,000 00	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	J. A. DeBaun	214	10	5	11	..	11	*402	7	5	....	215	2	350	342 00	135 00	2,208 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Albert Dod Minor	‡30	....	....	....	..	....	15	....	....	....	....	2	55	.....	.....	.....	Mohawk, N. Y.
Fort Plain	Edward A. McCullum	185	20	9	5	1	8	325	11	6	....	175	1	225	506 00	26 00	4,302 00	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	Wm. Schmitz, S. C.	115	10	5	3	..	5	*121	1	7	....	....	1	156	512 00	242 00	2,419 00	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	J. S. Hogan	81	19	9	3	..	3	107	3	12	....	....	2	225	56 00	77 00	970 00	Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman	Wm. A. Wurts	90	32	1	4	..	7	144	1	9	....	80	1	140	39 00	135 00	1,116 00	Hagaman, N. Y.
Herkimer	John G. Gebhard	169	34	....	2	1	5	*270	6	13	74	132	1	152	296 00	131 00	††3,882 00	Herkimer, N. Y.
Johnstown†	John Van Burk, P. E.	40	25	5	....	..	....	30	....	16	....	....	1	65	77 00	.....	993 00	Johnstown, N. Y.

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		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Manheim	F. W. Ruhl	25	1	....	....	..	....	39	....	....	....	....	1	48	$ 13 00	$ 7 00	$ 285 00	Ingham's Mills, N. Y.
Mapletown	John A. Thompson, S.S.	21	3	4	2	..	....	30	....	1	....	....	1	.....	22 00	.....	209 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Mohawk	Ira Van Allen	64	6	....	....	..	....	136	2	2	....	....	1	143	181 00	29 00	1,662 00	Mohawk, N. Y.
Naumburg	Wm. F. Barny	24	13	....	....	..	....	47	4	....	30	....	1	37	36 00	18 00	263 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
New Bremen	Wm. F. Barny	5	....	....	2	..	2	12	....	....	6	....	....	.....	5 00	.....	55 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
Owasco	Vacant	75	6	1	1	..	2	100	....	4	....	....	3	107	36 00	34 00	1,370 00	Owasco, N. Y.
Owasco Outlet	Vacant	30	7	2	1	..	1	65	1	5	....	....	2	45	270 00	10 00	470 00	Auburn, N. Y.
Point Rock	F. E. Schlieder, S. S.	‡14	....	....	....	..	....	29	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	Charles W. Kinney	125	18	2	2	..	3	*208	1	5	....	....	1	195	60 00	18 00	1,637 00	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thompson	51	27	4	....	3	1	*108	10	17	....	50	1	70	155 00	13 00	637 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	Vacant	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Stone Arabia, N. Y.
Syracuse	Henry D'B. Mulford	150	12	9	11	..	1	351	7	1	....	225	2	464	1,182 00	514 00	5,406 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Islands	George Z. Collier	100	4	2	3	..	....	*95	2	3	30	40	1	120	20 00	.....	1,035 00	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Peter Crispell	100	13	8	2	..	1	*157	3	7	....	120	1	130	742 00	465 00	4,490 00	Utica, (21 South St.)
West Leyden	Fred. E. Schlieder	30	4	....	....	..	....	51	7	....	....	....	1	51	42 00	5 00	344 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
	Total	2414	343	94	70	5	61	3891	93	149	150	1332	39	3768	$5,779 00	$2,301 00	$42,352 00	

Other Ministers—Guido F. Verbeck, Tokio, Japan; Daniel Lord, Jordanville, N. Y; R. R. Williams, Brooklyn, N. Y., 124 St. James Place; Prof. Orin Root, Clinton, J. B. Thyne, Johnstown, N. Y.; Joseph Knieskern, Courtland, N. Y. *Revised list. †Organized Oct. 10, 1894. ††$1592 new chapel. ‡Last year's report. Students under care of Classis, Fletcher V. W. Lehman, Chas. V. W. Bedford.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	J. H. Van Doren, S. S.	36	3	3	1	..	1	44	....	2	15	15	1	115	$ 48 35	.....	716 52	Bath-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Blooming Grove	Vacant	60	11	2	....	..	1	92	6	7	....	10	1	65	130 00	.....	800 00	Defreestville, N. Y.
Castleton (Emmanuel)	Eugene E. Thomas	130	2	6	4	..	4	‡203	....	1	33	....	2	264	185 00	$ 15 00	2,311 00	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Theo. S. Brown, S. S.	105	19	9	6	..	3	197	....	10	....	....	1	221	374 00	91 00	2,045 00	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	Philip T. Phelps, P E	75	3	1	5	..	....	129	3	....	....	29	2	115	154 46	8 00	1,179 13	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Isaac S. Schenck	77	4	2	....	..	....	180	5	....	....	....	1	100	47 50	.....	1,021 84	Stockport, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	111	5	2	2	..	3	208	....	3	....	....	1	136	186 63	.....	4,155 65	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edw'd A. Collier, S. C.	145	2	5	3	..	9	296	3	3	....	70	2	178	1,390 56	72 87	3,018 96	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	130	....	2	8	..	4	214	....	....	....	....	1	163	183 03	25 00	1,322 25	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Vacant	25	3	1	....	..	....	54	1	2	....	....	1	35	14 00	.....	295 00	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	John F. Shaw	80	6	..	....	..	2	154	....	....	....	....	2	170	142 86	11 00	1,204 02	Multzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Josiah E. Crane	90	8	1	5	..	2	136	3	2	....	....	1	130	177 00	14 00	1,178 00	Schodack Landing, N.Y.
Stuyvesant	Geo. W. Furbeck	63	9	7	2	..	4	117	6	3	....	....	1	83	262 00	38 12	1,090 00	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	A. W. Hopper	46	5	2	2	..	2	478	7	3	77	....	1	60	23 49	3 96	786 00	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
	Total	1173	80	43	38	..	35	2102	34	36	125	115	18	1835	$3,318 88	$278 83	$21,093 37	

Other Ministers—Elbert Nevius, Stuyvesant, N. Y.; John B. Drury, *Ed. Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J.; Minor Swick, 51 Clifton Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dewitt B. Wyckoff, Pleasant Plains, N. Y.

‡Revised List.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptised Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe	H. Hospers, Jr	94	4	4	2	..	3	201	7	....	....	80	1	160	$127 02	$ 9 89	$1,123 51	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	Vacant	39	8	1	2	..	1	105	16	....	....	....	1	60	14 00	5 00	316 86	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	J. Van Westenburg, S. C	72	11	2	3	..	2	134	18	....	147	42	1	189	111 44	16 25	1,177 26	Brighton, N. Y.
First Cleveland †	S. Hogenboom	48	1	....	12	3	2	88	6	....	102	40	1	95	124 00	148 00	855 00	25 Linden St. Cleveland, O
Clymer Hill	P. G. M. Bahler	83	3	....	....	..	5	177	2	....	200	35	1	85	156 80	21 04	927 68	Clymer, N. Y.
Ev. Prot. Ch. Buffalo	J. Boehrer	30	3	....	....	1	....	61	9	....	....	9	2	80	27 00	.....	891 24	49 Barthel St., Buffalo.
East Williamson	M. Ossewaarde	118	12	3	10	..	7	259	13	....	....	....	1	120	215 61	61 98	935 55	East Williamson, N. Y.
Farmer	E. B. Van Arsdale	145	3	2	2	..	3	236	....	1	....	....	1	191	258 47	177 28	1,542 75	Farmer, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	10	1	3	..	7	186	1	4	....	160	1	160	191 65	77 85	1,523 81	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	P. Ihrman	142	13	3	4	..	4	309	21	1	315	60	1	180	118 30	8 25	1,156 00	Marion, N. Y.
New York Mills*	Vacant	13	18	12	....	....	....	30	2	2	21	....	1	31	.....	.....	50 76	New York Mills, N. Y.
Palmyra	W. Lubach	70	8	....	1	..	2	165	17	....	....	56	1	85	37 26	.....	656 48	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	‡64	3	3	2	..	2	154	3	....	....	....	1	125	75 14	8 37	801 73	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	‡165	13	1	6	..	9	300	20	1	....	45	1	245	353 87	99 53	2,311 48	41 Ontario St. Rochester
Second Rochester	C. M. Steffens, P. E.	89	4	4	2	..	1	220	9	....	113	....	1	260	252 24	348 93	2,323 31	Rochester, N. Y.
Tyre	G. Van Blarcom	55	5	1	3	..	1	45	2	4	....	....	1	71	52 81	.....	334 41	Magee's Corners, N. Y.
	Total	1,327	119	37	52	4	49	2,670	146	13	898	527	17	2,137	$2,115 61	$982 37	$16,927 83	

*Organized March 4, 1895. †Received from Classis of Holland, P. S. C., Oct. 3, 1894. ‡Revised list.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	40	11	3	....	..	....	87	9	8	....	40	1	75	62 85	.....	$ 863 25	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Robert J. Hogan	46	5	2	....	..	1	†73	3	3	....	1	1	71	40 10	$ 5 00	903 19	Buskirks, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser	264	13	3	4	..	4	458	17	3	....	289	1	331	565 67	196 09	5,207 74	Cohoes, N. Y.
Fort Miller	John A. Hafner	51	9	....	3	..	4	130	....	5	....	....	1	83	30 00	2 40	384 00	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Nelson J. Gulick	51	10	1	3	..	2	†106	2	6	....	30	1	100	40 00	20 00	450 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Greenwich	Frank C. Scoville	100	36	1	2	..	....	237	3	20	....	....	1	125	332 24	35 05	2,400 00	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	Nelson J. Gulick	55	15	3	....	..	1	†140	1	13	....	13	1	125	85 00	40 00	1,000 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John A. Hafner	127	22	6	6	..	2	351	6	12	....	....	1	168	100 76	29 65	1,927 76	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	George E. Macardel	42	2	....	3	..	1	60	....	2	....	55	1	70	30 00	.....	.....	Reynolds, N. Y.
West Troy, North	C. B. F. Pease	170	1	8	8	..	4	†234	13	....	....	64	1	208	404 27	.....	6,268 86	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Vacant	35	....	....	1	..	....	34	....	....	....	....	....	.....	62 00	.....	.....	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	P. A. Wessels, S. S.	71	14	3	5	..	2	106	3	11	14	25	1	85	126 00	82 00	1,398 37	Wynantskill, N. Y.
	Total	1,052	138	30	35	..	21	2,016	57	83	14	517	11	1,441	$1,878 89	$410 19	$20,803 17	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. G. Cochrane, Middle Falls, Washington County, N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.; Rev. Geo. I. Taylor, 199 N. 3d St., Newark, N. J.; Rev. J. G. Ogden, 112 W. 78th St., New York City; Rev. John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y. †Revised list.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Schenectady....	Albert C. Sewall.....	307	24	19	6	..	9	540	7	5	....	....	3	656	$939 00	$55 00	$5,050 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Second Schenectady..	Philip H. Cole.....	225	25	9	5	..	3	343	12	12	....	....	1	295	372 00	50 00	4,311 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
First Glenville.....	Vacant.....	97	2	2	4	..	4	272	3	....	....	137	2	137	130 00	29 00	2,100 00	West Glenville, N. Y.
Second Glenville.....	M. R. Gordon.....	85	13	5	....	..	2	158*	....	6	....	....	3	214	130 00	6 00	1,261 00	Scotia, N. Y.
First Rotterdam.....	Alexander Hill.....	180	16	2	5	..	1	150	5	6	....	....	3	300	65 00	200 00	1,268 00	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Second Rotterdam....	John C. Knox.....	59	1	1	....	..	3	111	2	1	....	....	1	116	74 00	4 00	1,500 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Helderberg-Altamont.	Bergen B. Staats.....	180	10	2*	3	..	5	409	6	2	194	....	†4	310	163 00	61 00	1,910 00	Altamont, N. Y.
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars, S. C...	130	9	8	3	..	1	280	13	5	116	180	2	275	500 00	20 00	1,550 00	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Lisha's Kill.....	C. A. Conant.....	45	3	1	5	..	2	135	2	1	....	125	2	135	68 00	64 00	991 00	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Amity.....	James E. Graham....	54	1	3	....	..	2	139	....	1	....	....	1	140	49 00	27 00	1,164 00	Visscher's Ferry, N. Y.
Princetown	T. C. Johnston, S. S..	105	33	3	3	..	4	265	....	....	....	....	2	195	46 00	150 00	2,500 00	Gifford, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant.....	L. Vanderveer, S. S...	40	4	....	....	..	....	58	13	4	....	33	1	162	10 00	7 00	421 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Bellevue	J. B. Thyne, S.S.....	50	2	6	....	..	....	29	2	....	....	....	1	134	59 00	47 00	338 00	Johnstown, N. Y.
	Total.....	1,557	143	61	34	..	36	2,889	65	43	310	475	26	3079	$2,605 00	$720 00	$24,364 00	

Other Ministers—Rev. D. B. Hall, Duanesburgh, N. Y.; A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y. *Revised List. †Two are Union Schools.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Commu nio	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	Herbert B. Roberts	57	14	1	....	....	....	*103	1	12	....	....	1	72	$18 80	.....	+ $1,000 00	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	Herbert B. Roberts	53	3	6	1	..	2	*91	....	2	....	....	1	75	64 40	$ 2 00	+ 1,848 91	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	Philip Phelps	42	....	....	1	..	1	63	5	....	....	....	1	106	53 00	7 00	305 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Central Bridge	Henry H. Lipes	29	6	2	1	..	....	38	1	4	....	....	2	102	33 32	.....	275 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Charles Maar	45	2	4	5	..	....	68	....	2	....	....	1	65	9 91	.....	500 38	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Vacant	‡10	....	....	....	..	....	10	....	....	....	....	1	30	.....	.....	.....	Eminence, N. Y.
Gallupville	Frank A. Force	31	....	....	4	..	....	*54	....	....	....	....	2	100	10 64	.....	498 17	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	John H. Scarlet	57	1	....	1	..	1	100	....	1	....	....	1	65	10 90	.....	825 00	Gilboa, N. Y.
Howes Cave	Henry H. Lipes	62	12	1	3	1	....	66	3	8	....	....	1	55	67 00	43 00	414 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	Charles Maar	55	1	3	....	..	....	85	1	1	....	....	2	165	30 34	.....	1,659 04	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Charles W. Pitcher	110	1	....	....	..	3	176	2	1	....	25	1	107	88 01	21 35	1,222 61	Middleburgh, N. Y.
Moresville	Vacant	‡12	....	....	....	..	....	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Grand Gorge, N. Y.
North Blenheim	Philip Phelps	45	....	1	....	..	....	54	....	....	....	....	1	52	38 00	2 00	380 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	John H. Scarlet, S.S.	40	....	....	....	..	1	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	3 00	.....	+5,275 79	Gilboa, N. Y.
Schoharie	Wm. C. Handy	60	22	1	1	..	5	150	6	12	....	....	1	90	293 49	82 40	601 00	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Vacant	60	....	1	2	..	2	96	2	....	....	....	1	75	32 29	1 60	108 00	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	Vacant	24	....	....	2	..	1	*56	....	....	....	....	1	46	.....	.....	.....	South Gilboa, N. Y.
	Total	792	62	20	23	1	16	1256	21	43	.....	25	18	1,205	$752 20	$159 25	$14,912 90	

Other Ministers—Edward Miller, Cobleskill, N. Y.; Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; John S. Lott, 54 Seventh avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.; D. K. Van Doren, District Superintendent American Bible Society, Mechanicville, N. Y., Stated Clerk. *Revised list. †Including repairs. ‡Last year's reports.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptised Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	Vacant	110	9	1	1	..	9	236	2	....	16	45	2	125	.....	.....	$789 54	Fawns, N. Y.
Esopus	H.P. Lyman Wheaton	65	14	1	3	..	3	137	1	4	....	55	2	212	$80 85	$8 19	1,091 46	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWitt	90	7	1	2	..	4	173	7	5	78	....	3	280	126 14	20 00	1,147 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	100	1	....	....	..	1	177	3	....	103	100	1	105	581 85	253 17	1,193 00	Kaatsban, N. Y.
Kingston	J. G. Van Slyke	265	4	6	....	..	6	625	9	....	....	....	1	375	931 88	351 30	6,000 00	Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen	B. C. Lippincott, S.C.	110	2	2	....	..	11	240	7	1	....	....	1	206	144 45	.....	1,350 00	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Roe	162	12	6	1	..	6	263	6	2	....	....	3	245	88 44	109 40	957 34	Cockburn, N. Y.
Roxbury	N. H. Demarest	70	....	2	2	..	1	72	1	....	....	....	1	71	76 00	78 00	1,285 00	Roxbury, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	200	9	4	4	..	17	315	2	3	45	....	1	200	420 00	100 00	2,400 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	Geo. Niemeyer	40	1	....	....	1	....	57	1	1	....	52	1	52	11 60	.....	388 00	Shokan, N. Y
Shokan	Geo. Niemyer	96	1	5	3	..	5	162	.....	.....	....	120	3	220	34 38	.....	1,022 71	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	Vacant	12	2	....	....	..	....	22	....	2	....	....	1	25	.....	.....	.....	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	Vacant	58	1	....	6	.....	.....	86	2	....	....	....	1	115	.....	.....	364 93	West Hurley, N. Y.
Wiltwyck	J. Edgar Winne	90	7	1	1	..	....	130	4	3	34	17	1	231	147 73	.....	828 37	Kingston, N. Y.
Woodstock	Vacant	61	....	....	....	..	2	76	1	....	1	....	1	95	4 75	65 00	410 00	Woodstock, N. Y.
	Total	1,529	50	29	23	1	65	2,769	46	21	277	389	23	2547	$2,645 12	$985 06	$18,727 25	

Other Mintsters—Rev. Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; Calvin Case, Brodhead, N. Y.; Rev. W. A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; Rev. S. T. Cole, Katrine, N.Y.; Rev. Rufus M. Stanburgh, Newbrough, N. Y.; Henry Boggis,

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

CLASSES.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			STATED CLERKS.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	17	16	....	1821	171	64	70	1	61	3056	73	72	16	112	22	2770	$9,364	$4,455	$39,638	J. Lansing Pearse.
Greene	7	10	1	722	32	23	22	..	28	1614	24	18	454	249	12	1101	2,859	485	12,232	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	34	33	....	2414	343	94	70	5	61	3891	93	149	150	1332	39	3768	5,779	2,301	42,352	Wm. Schmitz.
Rensselaer	14	16	....	1173	80	43	38	..	35	2102	34	36	125	115	18	1835	3,319	279	21,093	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	16	14	....	1327	119	37	52	4	49	2670	146	13	898	52.	17	2137	2,115	982	16,927	J. Van Westenburg.
Saratoga	12	14	....	1052	138	30	35	..	21	2016	57	83	14	517	11	1441	1,879	410	20,803	Oliver H. Walser.
schenectady	13	14	....	1557	143	61	34	..	36	2889	65	43	310	475	26	3079	2,605	720	24,264	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	15	....	792	62	20	23	1	16	1256	21	43	....	25	18	1205	752	159	14,912	D. K. Van Doren.
Ulster	15	15	....	1529	50	29	23	..	65	2769	46	21	277	389	23	2547	2,635	985	18,727	B. C. Lippincott.
Total	145	147	1	12387	1138	401	367	11	372	22263	459	478	2344	3811	186	19883	$31,317	$10,776	$211,048	

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

ived.

ov. Henry Lockwood, from the Classis of New ıswick, April 10, 1895.

ılled.

ov. Henry Lockwood, over the churches of Second e and Knox, April 10, 1895.

ıissed.

ov. A. Parsons to Classis of Greene, April 17, 1894.

Classis of Greene.

ived.

v. Walter Winant, from the Classis of Orange, 25, 1894.

v. Andrew Parsons from Classis of Albany, May 894.

lled.

v. Walter Winant, over the church of First Cox- ; N. Y., Oct. 24, 1894.

issed.

entiate Edward O. Chickering to Classis of is, Sept. 13, 1894.

Classis of Montgomery.

ved.

v. E. J. Blekkink, from the Classis of Schoharie, 29, 1894.

3. Hogan, Licentiate from the Classis of Schenec- May 29, 1894.

r. P. Crispell, from the Classis of Paramus, June)4.

r. John Van Burk, from the Medina, Ohio, Con- tional conference, Jan. 4, 1895.

Installed.

Rev. E. J. Blekkink, over the church of Amsterdam Trinity, June 26, 1894.

Rev. J. S. Hogan, over the church of Glen, May 29, 1894.

Rev. Peter Crispell, over the church of Utica, June 7, 1894.

Dismissed.

Rev. Charles Maar, to Classis of Schoharie, Sept. 12, 1894.

Ordained.

Jasper S. Hogan, at Glen, N. Y., May 29, 1894.

Students under care of Classis.

Fletcher V. W. Lehman and Chas. V. W. Bedford.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Received.

Licentiate A. W. Hopper, from the Classis of New York, May 29, 1894.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps, from the Classis of Schoharie, April 16, 1895.

Installed.

Rev. Eugene E. Thomas, over the church of Castleton, May 9, 1894.

Rev. A. W. Hopper, over the church of Stuyvesant Falls, May 29, 1894.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. DeWitt B. Wyckoff and the church of Ghent, Oct. 2, 1894.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Received.

Rev. S. Hogenboom, from the Classis of Holland, Oct. 3, 1894.

Rev. G. Van Blarcom, from the Springfield, Ill., association, Jan 15, 1895.

Installed.

Rev. G. Van Blarcom, over the church of Tyre, Jan. 15, 1895.

Died.

Rev. A. B. Veenhuizen, emeritus, Pultneyville, N. Y., March 23, 1895.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Installed.

Rev. C. A. Conant, over the church of Lisha's Kill, May 23, 1894.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Thos. E. Morton and the church of Glenville, April 16, 1895.

Dismissed.

The Licentiate, Jasper S. Hogan, to the Classis of Montgomery, May 23, 1894.

The Licentiate, Robert J. Hogan, to the Classis of Saratoga, May 23, 1894.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Received.

Rev. Henry H. Lipes, from the Presbytery of Otsego, May 15, 1894.

H. B. Roberts, Licentiate, from the Classis of Ulster, May 22, 1894.

Rev. Chas. Maar, from the Classis of Montgomery, Oct. 1, 1894.

Installed.

Rev. Henry H. Lipes, over the churches of Howe's Cave and Central Bridge, May 15, 1894.

H. B. Roberts, over the churches of Berne and Beaverdam, Aug. 16, 1894.

Rev. Chas. Maar, over the churches of Lawyersville and Cobleskill, Oct. 1, 1894.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Philip T. Phelps and the church of Sharon, Jan. 28, 1895.

Dismissed.

Rev. John G. Fagg, to Classis of Kingston, Jan. 28, 1895.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps, to Classis of Rensselaer, April 10, 1895.

Classis of Ulster.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Henry Boggis and the church of Woodstock, Nov. 16, 1894.

Dismissed.

Licentiate, Herbert B. Roberts, to Classis of Schoharie, May 21, 1894.

ARTICLE IX.

Benevolent Institutions.

The Rev. John W. Conklin, as representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Rev. Herman Vanderwart, as representative of the Board of Domestic Missions, were heard on the evening of the second day. The Rev. A. DeWitt Mason also represented the Mission Field and the Christian Endeavor Missionary League.

The Rev. D. K. Van Doren, on the afternoon of the first day presented the cause of the American Bible society, when it was

Resolved, That the Synod extend their thanks to Mr. Van Doren, the State Superintendent of the American Bible society, for his earnest address, and that the churches be encouraged to greater interest in the work of this society.

ARTICLE X.

Delegates to Synod.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classes. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. C. W. Burrows,	Rev. A. M. Arcularius,
" Theo. A. Beekman,	" E. P. Johnson,
" C. P. Evans,	" E. G. Selden.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
John Baker,	J. W. Cheesbro,
Hiram Schermerhorn,	H. H. DeRouville,
Leonard Litchfield,	A. S. Van Derzee.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. W. W. Schomp,	Rev. W. D. Ward,
" E. Van Slyke, D. D.,	" F. S. Barnum,
" C. M. Perlee,	" Walter Winant.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
F. R. Lape,	J. H. Snyder,
Thomas Bell,	J. A. Cooke,
J. E. Elting,	Morgan Van Etten.

Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. J. A. DeBaun,	Rev. Ira Van Allen,
" P. Crispell,	" J. R. Kyle,
" H. D'B. Mulford,	" R. A. Pearse,
" E. J. Blekkink,	" Wm. A. Wurts,
" C. W. Kinney,	" Wm. Schmitz,
" J. S. Hogan,	" J. G. Gebhard.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
Adam Smith,	Abram Van Horn,
R. A. Bonta,	Henry Churchill,
Walter Keller,	E. B. Mitchell,
M. M. Bagg, M. D.,	L. Shelp,
J. Hees,	M. C. Prince,
L. M. Strong,	E. S. Johnson.

Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. Edward A. Collier,	Rev. A. W. Hopper,
" J. E. Crane,	" J. B. Drury,
" George W. Furbeck,	" M. Swick.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
Richard Decker,	George Boise,
L. E. Van Deusen,	Wm. H. Plaas,
Abram S. Schermerhorn,	J. P. Van Buren.

Classis of Rochester.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. J. Van Westenburg,	Rev. M. Ossewarde,
" S. Hogenboom,	" J. Boehrer,
" P. G. M. Bohler,	" E. B. Van Arsdale,
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
J. Clicquermoi,	C. LeRoy,
S. De Young,	R. Hollings,
J. Van Doom,	B. W. Wevers.

Classis of Saratoga.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. C. B. F. Pease,	Rev. F. C. Scoville,
" John G. Smart,	" R. J. Hogan,
" Oliver H. Walser,	" P. A. Wessels.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
C. W. Mayhew,	J. H. Becker,
G. L. Schuyler,	A. J. Best,
A. J. Van Vranken, M. D.,	W. McBride.

Classis of Schenectady.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. A. C. Sewall, D. D.,	Rev. Alexander Hill,
" M. R. Gordon,	" C. A. Conant,
" James E. Graham,	" Lauren Vanderveer.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
James H. Van Auken,	T. H. Reeves,
E. B. Lansing,	J. T. Lansing,
John A. Ferguson,	Vischer Lansing.

Classis of Schoharie.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. F. A. Force,	Rev. Philip Phelps,
" John H. Scarlet,	" D. K. Van Doren,
" Chas. F. Pitcher,	" Wm. C. Handy.
ELDERS:	ELDERS:
Wesley Posson,	S. K. Campbell,
George L. Danforth.	W. E. Bassler,
H. O. Lewis,	C. M. Throope.

Classis of Ulster.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. N. H. Demarest,	Rev. Geo. Niemeyer,
" J. Edgar Winne,	" W. A. Shaw,
" H.P.Lyman Wheaton,	" C. Van Santvoord.
ELDERS:	ELDERS:
Thomas J. Smith,	John I. Boice,
A. E. Dederick,	B. M. Brink,
Sidney M. Terpening,	Jas. I. Decker.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: From 9 to 11:45 A. M., from 2 to 5 P. M., and from 7:30 P. M. until such hour as Synod may adjourn.

The following appointments were made by the Committee on Religious Exercises for the communion on the afternoon of the second day. To preside and read the form, the President of Synod, the Rev. B. B. Staats; to distribute the bread, the Rev. F. S. Barnum; to distribute the wine, the Rev. John G. Gebhard; assisting elders, W. H. Van Vranken, Samuel Wells, Thomas S. Smith, T. J. Wood.

On the afternoon of the second day, the Rev. E. P. Johnson delivered an address on the "Missionizing of the Home Church."

The Rev. Irving P. Emerick, and the Rev. J. Henry Enders, and the Rev. H. Vanderwart were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The first half hour of the second day was spent in devotional service, led by the Vice-President, the Rev. D. B. Wyckoff.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have printed 425 copies of the minutes, and to distribute them in the usual manner.

Resolved, That the Synod expresses its earnest thanks to the Rev. Dr. Denis Wortman, and the Consistory and the people of the Reformed church of Saugerties for their cordial greeting and the kind entertainment afforded us during our session.

ARTICLE XII.

Resumption and Close.

The minutes were read and approved.

The roll was called and all who were not excused were found present.

ARTICLE XIII.

Adjournment.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the Second Reformed church of Rochester, if the way be clear, on the first Tuesday in May, 1896, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with prayer by the Rev. John W. Conklin.

BERGEN B. STAATS, *President.*
DeWITT B. WYCKOFF, *Vice-President.*

Herbert B. Roberts, }
W. N. P. Dailey, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the Minutes.

C. P. Ditmars, *Stated Clerk.*

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session, May 5th, 1896, at 7 o'clock P. M. in the Second Reformed Church of Rochester, N. Y., and continued in session until 10 o'clock on Wednesday, May 6th.

The Synod was called to order by the retiring President, the Rev. B. B. Staats, who also preached the Synodical Sermon, taking as his text 1 John 3: 17.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were found present:

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. T. A. Beekman,	A. S. Vanderzee.
" C. W. Burrows,	
" J. H. Enders.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. W. W. Schomp,	W. M. Collier.
" W. D. Ward.	

From the Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. J. S. Hogan,	H. B. Adams,
" Ira Van Allen.	J. H. Whitman,
	Clark Van Alstyne.

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps,	A. P. More,
" John Laubenhimer,	Wm. H. Hoag.
" Ed. A. Collier, D. D.,	
" J. F. Shaw.	

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. C. M. Steffins,	Wm. J. Fuller,
" M. Van Doorn,	R. Hallings,
" J.Van Westenberg,	J. Tack.
" S. A. Schilstra.	

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. R. J. Hogan,	D. Steenberg,
" Lyman E. Davis.	J. A. Best.

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. L. Vanderveer,	J. H. Van Auken,
" M. R. Gordon,	Wm. Steers.
" C. P. Ditmars,	
" B. B. Staats.	

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. Philip Phelps, D. D.

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. J. E. Winne,	P. C. Osterhoudt,
" S. W. Roe,	H. Hudler,
" G. Niemeyer.	

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps was chosen President; Rev. W. W. Schomp, vice-President; Revs. R. J. Hogan and J. Van Westenberg, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed :

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. T. A. Beekman,	A. P. More,
" M. Van Doorn,	R. Hallings,
" Geo. Niemeyer.	

On Nominations.

Rev. S. W. Roe,	Clark Van Alstyne,
" J. S. Hogan,	Geo. Sagendorf.
" M. Van Doorn.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. Ira Van Allen,	Wm. M. Collier,
" W. D. Ward,	Wm. H. Hoag.
" L. Vanderveer.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. B. B. Staats,	H. B. Adams,
" J. Van Westenberg,	J. H. Van Auken.
" E. A. Collier, D. D.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. Philip Phelps, D. D.,	J. A. Best,
" C. W. Burrows,	Wm. Steers.
" J. H. Enders.	

On the Treasury.

Rev. W. W. Schomp,	P. C. Osterhoudt,
" John Laubenheimer,	D. Steenberg.
" Lyman E. Davis.	

On Necrology.

Rev. J. A. DeBaum, D. D.

On Religious Exercises.

Rev. E. A. Collier, D. D., Wm. P. Fuller,
" C. M. Steffins, A. P. More.
" C. P. Ditmars.

On Missions.

Rev. M. R. Gordon, A. Vanderzee,
" J. S. Hogan, H. B. Adams.
" S. W. Roe.

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. John E. Winne, H. Hudler,
" John F. Shaw, J. H. Whitman.
" R. J. Hogan.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's accounts and vouchers were received and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The delegates to General Synod nominated by the several Classes, were received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The annual report of the Rev. J. H. Enders, Synodical Missionary Superintendent, was read and referred to the Committee on Missions.

A request from the Classis of Rochester for the transfer of the Church at Buffalo to another body, was read, and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the minutes of General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of Chicago, New Brunswick and New York were received.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods :

Chicago, Rev. J. Van Westenberg.
New Brunswick, Rev. John G. Van Slyke, D. D.
New York, Rev. W. W. Schomp.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted :

On Necrology.

Your Committee on Necrology would respectfully port:

During the past year, as far as your committee have en able to learn, there have been but three deaths in the ministry of this Particular Synod.

The *Rev. Joseph Kneiskern* died at Cortland, N. Y., pt. 7, 1895. He was born in the town of Berne, bany county, N. Y., April 10th, 1810. He gradu- ed from Rutgers college in 1838, and from the eological Seminary at New Brunswick in 1841. e same year he was licensed to preach by the Classis Schoharie, and ordained and installed pastor of the cond Reformed church of Berne and Knox. In 45 he accepted a call to the Reformed church of St. hnsville, N. Y., where he remained pastor for twenty- ren years. A severe cold contracted at a burial sulted in permanent injury to his voice, which even- ally constrained him to resign his charge. In 1872 removed with his wife and only daughter to rtland.

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Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. DE BAUN,

Chairman.

On Religious Exercises.

Your Committee on Religious Exercises would report the following:

That more time may be given to the interests of Missions your committee recommend that hereafter the representative of the Board of Foreign Missions

be heard after the sermon on the first evening of the meeting of Synod, and the representative of the Board of Domestic Missions on the second evening.

We also recommend that the Rev. F. S. Barnum be appointed to address the Synod on the second evening of the next session, (after the representative of the Board of Domestic Missions,) with the Rev. Ira Van Allen as his secundus, the subject to be selected by the speaker.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. COLLIER,

Chairman.

On the Treasury.

Your Committee on the Treasury would report that the accounts, with accompanying vouchers, of the Treasurer of the Particular Synod of Albany have been placed in their hands and carefully examined. They are found to be accurate and we recommend that the report be adopted.

We further recommend that the usual amount, $170, be raised to meet the expenses of the Synod for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. WYCKHOFF SCHOMP,

Chairman.

The Treasurer's Report.

1895.	Dr.		
May	1.	Balance from last year	$64 91
May	10.	Cash from the Classis of Greene	14 00
May	11.	" " " " Saratoga	16 00
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May	13.	" " " " Albany	28 00
May	15.	" " " " Montgomery	31 00
May	18.	" " " " Rochester	11 00
June	5.	" " " " Schenectady	21 00
Sept.	21.	" " " " Schoharie	10 00
Sept.	28.	" " " " Ulster	23 00
		Total	$235 91

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May	8.	Paid Sexton at Saugerties	$ 5 00
May	11.	Paid Salary of Stated Clerk for year ending May 1st, 1896	75 00
Sept.	30.	Paid Union Co., for printing Minutes	63 00
		Total	$143 00
1896.			
May	1.	Balance to new account	$92 91

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

The Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business would report as follows :

The only matter formally submitted to us is the request from the Classis of Rochester to transfer the Evangelical Protestant Christ Church of Buffalo, N.Y., to the Classis of Erie of the Reformed church in the United States.

1. Although the strictly constitutional province of the Particular Synod pertains to the transfer of a church from one Classis to another within the jurisdiction of Synod, yet we approve this reference on the part of the Classis of Rochester, and deem it a wise precedent for guidance in similar cases.

2. Inasmuch as our Board of Domestic Missions by which the church of Buffalo has been aided has given its consent we recommend that the Classis of Rochester furnish such certificate as may be deemed necessary for the transfer of the Evangelical Protestant Christ church of Buffalo, N. Y., to the Classis of Erie of the Reformed Church in the United States, on the condition specified by the Classis of Rochester in their memorial, namely, that the said Classis of Erie assume all the indebtedness of the said church at Buffalo.

Another question has indirectly come before your committee. It is very desirable that the Missionary Superintendent of this Synod, as well as representatives of other ecclesiastical affairs should have access in the Spring and Fall to as many Classes as practic-

le, in order to obtain their advice in important ıtters. Therefore,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to corres- nd with the Classes within the bounds of this Synod order to secure such changes in the several days for lding their regular sessions, as may be conducive to ɜ foregoing purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP PHELPS,

Chairman.

Resolved, That the Rev. Philip Phelps, D. D., be pointed the above-mentioned committee.

On Synodical Minutes.

Your Committee on Synodical Minntes have exam- ed the minutes of General Synod of 1895 and the inutes of the Particular Synods of Chicago, New unswick and New York of 1895, but find nothing quiring action by this Synod.

T. A. BEEKMAN,

Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee on Classical Minutes reports as llows :

The books of Minutes of all the Classes except reene have been presented and examined and found rrect, with the following exceptions :

Saratoga has failed to tabulate answer to Constitu- ɔn Inquiries, and Rochester and Ulster have failed their answers to question seven, to give the ımber of Boards and Funds to which contributions ıve been made, to which omissions we call their tention.

IRA VAN ALLEN,

Chairman.

On Missions.

The Committee on Missions respectfully report :

Our Synodical Missionary Superintendent, Rev. J. H. Enders, presents a very encouraging report of the work under his supervision. Many feeble churches that were unable to sustain the means of grace at the beginning of the year are by the assistance of the Domestic Board enjoying regular services and their debts are being removed.

Our new churches have pastors and report progress along all lines of their work and are steadily advancing towards self support.

The following suggestions are recommended by your committee :

1. That systematic beneficence in our mission work be urgently pressed upon our congregations.

2. That each congregation be made familiar with the necessities and importance of the work by addresses from the pulpit at stated periods and by the circulation of such helpful literature as may be within its reach.

3. That we gratefully ackuowledge the efficient services of the Rev. J. H. Enders—and the measure of liberal giving on the part of our churches—and the hearty co-operation of our Woman's Executive Committee with the Domestic Board.

The Synod has listened with intense interest and appreciation to addresses from the Rev. P. H. Milliken, P. H. D., representing Board of Domestic Missions, the Rev. Peter Stryker, D. D., representing the Board of Foreign Missions, and also the Rev. E. A. Collier, D. D., who spoke in behalf of our western educational institutions. We rejoice in the good news they bring to us, and heartily thank the Great Head of the Church for the spirit of liberality which has been wrought in his people. While we thank them for their earnest words, we heartily concur in all their recommendations, especially in urging upon all our people the need of continued liberal offerings and prayers for the Mis-

sionary work at home and abroad, and for all our educational institutions.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

M. R. GORDON,
Chairman.

Our Synodical Report.

Your Committee on Synodical Report would respectfully report as follows :

Statistical Reports, Ministerial Changes and accompanying Remarks have been received from all the Classes of the Synod.

Almost without exception they are worthy of mention for the care and accuracy with which they have been compiled. In a series of tables, which involved the adding of more than 350 columns of figures, scarcely a mistake is found ; this would seem to indicate that the traditional "schoolmaster" has at last returned from abroad.

I.

Statistical Reports.

A comparative view of the statistical tables yields incentive to thankfulness and hope, in every item that has to do with the evidence of God's care for His Church. We call attention to some of the more significant features.

Montgomery has organized one Church, and dropped one from the roll. Saratoga has restored one to the roll. Schenectady has organized one. The net gain in the Synod is two. There is an apparent loss of two ministers, but a real gain of five. There is an error in last year's report, amounting to seven, which possibly arose from counting some of the names which appear in duplicate. We further find the name of one minister reported in two separate Classes—he being a member of one and stated supply of a Church in another. Both last year and this the name is counted twice. We submit that it is desirable for each Classis to enjoin upon

each minister that he obtain ecclesiastical transfer to the Classis within whose bounds he is, statedly laboring, unless conclusive reason to the contrary can be given; and we hereby recommend that Synod so advise the several Classes. Six "candidates" are reported; an apparent gain of five, but an actual gain of only three, as two students under the care of Montgomery Classis were omitted from this column last year. The net gain of "No. of Families" reported is 177—the largest increase being in the Classis of Montgomery. On account of the diverse method governing the estimate of families in the several Churches of the Classes, this column is of no practical value beyond affording an approximant. The real index of numerical advance lies in the two columns of additions and the three columns of losses. When we turn to these we find very hopeful signs. The total number received on confession exceeds the total of last year by 122. The number received by Certificate exactly balances the number dismissed. Seven more have been suspended than last year. This, we think, indicates not so much a growing laxity in morals as an increased vigilance in administering the "Key of Discipline," and is therefore a wholesome sign. There have been 17 fewer saints translated to the Church Triumphant than last year. Balancing between the accessions and the losses, we find *a net gain of 887*, an excess of 98 over the net gain of the preceding year. The net gains distribute as follows: Albany, 43; Greene, 85; Montgomery, 397; Rensselaer, 64; Rochester, 116; Saratoga, 56; Schenectady, 84; Schoharie, 8; Ulster, 34. This total of 887, an average of 6 to each church in the Synod, is very encouraging, and evidences that "The arm of the Lord is not shortened that it cannot save."

But when we turn to the column marked "Total now in Communion," and compare with last year, we find an *apparent* gain of only 289. This discrepancy of

598 is charitably covered by the various foot notes that read "Revised List." This annual leakage confronts the Synod as a serious problem, which calls more and more loudly each year for remedy. *Five hundred and ninety-eight (598) names swallowed up in oblivion in one year in this one Particular Synod*—an average of four to every Church in the Synod. If four persons mysteriously disappeared from any one community in any one year, diligent effort would be made to solve the mystery. No true paternal government would let a single member of the family drift away into unknown quarters, without making diligent search to locate the wanderer and diligent effort to keep alive communication. Not in any sense to exculpate the church member who allows his membership thus to lapse through carelessness or intent, we are yet compelled to the conviction that no small degree of blame rests upon the Consistories of our churches. Let Consistories, exercising their vigilance, insist that members removing to the bounds of other evangelical churches obey the plain requirement of Art. 6, Sec. 9 of our Constitution. Let those members who neglect or refuse so to do be held to at least an annual correspondence with the church. Let them be frequently solicited for contributions to benevolence and congregational support. Let them, if they refuse to cooperate with the church, be properly disciplined. The result will be that mysterious disappearance will cease, and all be accounted for in the lists of "Dismissed," "Suspended," "Died" or "Total in Communion."

Sixty-seven (67) more infants have been baptized than last year, and 18 more adults. The large number of adult baptisms reported each year indicates two things: First, the encouraging fact that the church is reaching out to evangelize the masses not reared under pædo-baptist faith; and, second, the discouraging fact that the Scriptural doctrine of infant baptism is all too largely a latent factor in our creed.

The columns of "Baptized non-Communicants" and "Catechumens" each show a decrease ; but these two items are so sorely "wounded in the house of their friends" that the reports are worthless for comparison. Either radical measures should be taken to secure full and accurate record of baptized non-communicants, which have as legitimate constitutional membership within their sphere as have those in full communion, or else we would better yield up the doctrine and rescind the rule. Either let us have Catechumens, or else let us revise our Constitution and remove the requirement to preach and teach the Catechism. Let us hope that the time is not far distant when the church will again "endure sound doctrine," not only, but will demand instruction in the formulas thereof.

Eleven (11) less Sunday Schools are reported than last year, but the Total Enrollment shows an increase of 233. We have reason to think that the growth of the Sunday School is in keeping with the increase in number of families and membership in the churches. We now come to one of the most vital parts of the Statistics, the finances. The cry from every Classis, and from nearly every Church is the sad cry of "hard times," and this is borne out by the showing for Congregational Purposes—$10,464 less than last year being the total. Moreover, at least $10,000 more has been appropriated for new churches and repairs than last year. So that probably not less than $20,000 less has been devoted to ordinary Congregational purposes than in the former year, or an average of $136 to each Church in the Synod. It is hopeful that no large part of this is covered by reductions or arrearages in pastors' salaries. But over against this shrinkage, and all the more inspiring because of the contrast, is the fact that $6,089 more has been given to Denominational Objects than last year, with a net increase in all Benevolences of $4,945.

To the lasting honor of the Church in this Synod be it said that, while feeling compelled to retrench at home, she has come forward with noble advance in her support of the broader Denominational activities. Of this gratifying increase, however, it should be noted that *$3,787 is in one Classis;* and, further, that $3,585 of this $3,787 is in the increase of gifts of *two churches* of that Classis. The Synod is thus honored by the Classis and Churches which bear its own name.

II.

Remarks.

In order that this feature of the several Reports, which we may term Tidings from the Churches, may not be hopelessly buried in the oblivion of Classical Records, which only Stated Clerks read with avidity, your committee think that it would be a judicious economy to use "printer's ink" in thus giving publicity to some of the richer gleanings. The record is made "not for ostentation or aggrandizement," but that humble patterns may be set for the encouragement of others. We glean as follows, preserving as far as possible the language of the several reports intact:

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Almost without exception the pastors have found occasion first of all to take account of the continuance of regular work without interruption or marked features, at the same time expressing gratitude to God for prosperity and for harmony.

First Albany reports that the work of the year has been prosecuted along all lines without abatement of zeal and without retrenchment. Congregations have been especially large. The work of the "Church Missionary" and of the "Mothers' Meeting" has been fruitful in great blessing, especially among the poor.

Madison Avenue reports a specially successful year in work of the King's Daughters. The Woman's

Missionary Association has celebrated its fifteenth anniversary. A chapter of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip has been organized. Olivet Mission is a medium through which the church is brought into vital and helpful relations with about 300 families.

Third Albany reports continued success in reaching not only children, but many mothers as well, by its daily kindergarten. It has an efficient Boys' Brigade.

The Holland Church of Albany is full of rejoicing, because for the first time in its history it is free from debt. The people have greatly beautified the interior of their substantial house of worship.

First Bethlehem is strengthened by the recently formed Ladies' Aid Society.

Second Berne reports a larger addition by confession than any other church in the Classis, making a net increase of nearly 50 per cent.

Jerusalem reports extensive repairs and improvements in the interior decorations of the building.

We note with pleasure a net increase in contributions to Denominational objects, in this Classis, of $3,785—being a total advance of about 40 per cent. on last year's contributions.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

An examination of the summarized statistics shows encouragingly for the most part. Two of the churches have been blessed with a gracious quickening, and over 70 have already been added to the churches as fruits. In the matter of benevolence there is an increase in the aggregate.

First Athens reports a year of harmony and increasing activity, an advance in benevolent gifts, and all the church organizations have contributed towards mission work.

Second Athens reports that a Ladies' Aid Society has been formed that increases the interest of the people in the well-being of the church.

Catskill has no report of large accessions from the world. While there is much to mourn in the spiritual condition of the church, there is yet much to be thankful for. The Junior Society of Christian Endeavor is especially prosperous.

First Coxsackie reports a year of pleasant, harmonious and blessed work. Fifty-two have been added on confession. There has been a gain in benevolent contributions.

Second Coxsackie reports a year of great mercy from the hand of the Lord. Thirty-nine have been added by confession. All the departments of church work have been active. The cash offerings for benevolence show a substantial increase.

Kiskatom reports close attention to the preached word. Nine young people united on confession. Benevolent offerings are larger than last year, which the pastor credits to recognition of the duty of systematic beneficence, and to the activity of the C. S. Society.

Leeds reports good work in the Sunday School and in the C. E. Society; and an increase of benevolent offerings.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

The statistical tables of this Classis show decided gains in every feature excepting number of Sunday Schools reported, and amount contributed for congregational purposes. Of the 34 churches only 12 have contributed to all the Boards of the church. The average amount per member contributed to Foreign Missions ranges from $3.19 in the First church of Syracuse and $3.16 in the church of Utica, to 8 cents in the churches of New Bremen and St. Johnsville.

First, Amsterdam, reports that benevolent contributions have slightly increased. For congregational purposes they have raised more than last year. The Sunday School is larger than ever.

Trinity, Amsterdam, has increased in membership more than 33 per cent. during the year.

Auriesville rejoices in a spirit of harmony, and that a number have been added to the church. They have increased in benevolence and in congregational gifts.

Canajoharie feels greatly encouraged over the work of the year. They report an increase in benevolent contributions. The pastor has, during the year, begun an afternoon preaching service in a hopeful field.

Columbia has increased in membership. Its benevolent contributions are in excess of last year.

Currytown reports that it has been a year of upbuilding rather than in-gathering.

Florida reports a quiet but prosperous year.

Fonda mentions with devout thanksgiving that the year has been one of unusual prosperity. Fifty-three (53) have been added on confession. Benevolent contributions are increased.

Fort Herkimer reports that a large number were added on confession of faith. The outlook for the future is full of promise.

Fort Plain. Growth and prosperity have characterized the year. Over 100 united with the church.

Fultonville surpassed the "high water mark" this year in membership and contributions.

Glen. A large number were added to the Church. As a result of adopting the plan of Systematic Beneficience, the amount raised this year is three times as large as last year, and they have given to all the Boards and Funds of the Church.

Hagaman reports that the Church is making a healthy growth.

Herkimer reports large attendance at the mid-week services of the Church. The Monthly Mission Concert has been successfully introduced.

Johnstown has had a successful year, both spiritually and financially.

Owasco Outlet proposes to adopt the Systematic Beneficience plan.

St. Johnsville has enjoyed a gospel work. A large number united with the church.

Syracuse, First, has generously dismissed a number of members for the purpose of starting the Second church. The ladies are planning for a Parish Visitor.

Syracuse, Second, the youngest church of the Classis, is rapidly developing along all lines of church work.

Thousand Islands reports that harmony exists. The benevolences have increased. Attendance on services is increasing.

Utica is praying and working that the difficulties which burden may be removed.

West Leyden reports both spiritual and temporal prosperity.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

In reviewing the reports of the churches of the Classis we find abundant reason for gratitude to God. A larger number have been received on confession than during any of the previous five years. As regards benevolence, there has been an increase. Since 1894 the tide has been rising. The outlook of the churches of the Classis is very encouraging.

Bath-on-the-Hudson reports advance all along the line. The crowning event of the year has been the completion and dedication of their well-appointed building. Benevolent contributions have nearly doubled. A marked success in the church life has been in raising the church funds in the Scriptural way. *We trust we may never be allowed to depend upon fairs and worldly ways.* All departments of the church work are in a prosperous condition.

Blooming Grove. The statistics of the church exhibit a reception of 28 on confession and nine on certificate, making the largest ingathering of the churches of the Classis this year.

Castleton reports an increased attendance upon the Sunday evening services. Attention is called to the enthusiasm of the Junior Christian Endeavor Society.

Chatham maintains all the ordinances and services with usual regularity. All its financial affairs are in good condition. The Ladies' Societies have done more than usual in direct benevolence.

Greenbush mourns a decrease in benevolent offerings —smaller than ever before, but attributes it to the depressing times.

First Ghent rejoices in a year of much blessing. There have been additions to the church at every communion, making a total the largest reported to Classis for many years.

Second, Ghent. Special mention is made of the great good and inspiration which the C. E. society is to the church. The large majority of the young people are members of the church.

Kinderhook mourns over the fact of spiritual bareness as regards additions to the membership on confession. This is without parallel in many years. It has cause for rejoicing in a considerable increase of benevolent offerings.

Nassau reports a season of refreshing following the week of prayer.

Schodack has a Woman's Missionary Society whose meetings show a growing interest in the cause. The church reports also a lively interest in Sunday School work.

Stuyvesant rejoices in an increased attendance at the prayer meetings. A pastor's class, composed of the

older members of the Junior C. E. Society has been formed with encouraging results.

Stuyvesant Falls rejoices in a year of unusual prosperity, temporal and spiritual. An earnestly besought descent of the Holy Spirit was answered, and an ingathering of 19 on confession followed.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

With profound gratitude we recount the work of the past year. We rejoice that our churches have enjoyed peace and prosperity. With a few exceptions, all our churches have increased in number and in efficient work for the Master. The gifts for Missions have increased.

Abbe reports unusual attendance upon the regular services. The Sunday School is growing. The Y. P. P. M. has been organized into a Y. P. S. C. E. The church has received the congratulations of the secretary of the F. M. Board, having paid more than its share for the debt of the Board.

Brighton. The past year has been one of steady growth and seed-sowing. The interest in the C. E. has increased and a Junior Society has been organized. The Sunday School is flourishing. In benevolence there has been an increase.

Cleveland. The ties of denominational loyalty are strengthened by organized effort. The Sunday School is prosperous, prayer meetings refreshing and regular services well attended. Benevolence has increased as a result of organized effort.

Clymer Hill rejoices in a year of progress. Our C. E. is better established. Young people take deeper interest in the Sunday School. Benevelent offerings are encouraging.

East Williamson reports Sabbath services and prayer meetings well attended. The Y. P. S. C. E. is doing good work.

Buffalo has struggled along for another year, and she appears to die hard. They are awaiting the action of this Synod to determine their future.

Farmer has suffered in spiritual life and religious services on account of impassable roads and unfavorable weather during the winter, but has evidence of returning activity.

Lodi. The Ladies' Missionary Society has been active in good works. The C. E. Society is prosperous. The Sunday School is an important factor in raising funds for church expenses.

Marion says that the Sunday School is growing, owing to the S. S. committee of the Y. P. S. C. E. Catechetical classes have increased. The C. E. Society is active. Contributions for F. M. are constantly increasing.

New York Mills, after 13 months of existence, rejoices that God has blessed them. Sabbath attendance, and gifts, evidence spiritual life and growth.

Palmyra says: Congregation is constantly increasing in strength. Attendance on Sabbath services grows. An earnest desire for the Word and the Lord's Supper exists. Young people enjoy the S. S. and catechetical classes.

Rochester, First, rejoices in the missionary spirit of the people. The monthly missionary society has been well attended. The Woman's Missionary Society has accomplished a great deal during the year.

Rochester, Second, reports that the Wednesday evening prayer meeting grows in interest and attendance. The Sunday School, the Senior and Junior C. E. and the Missionary Society are doing their appointed work. Of the 53 who joined on profession, the larger number were from the Sunday School.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

There appears universal prosperity and growing in the divine life, though there has been no specially demonstrative interruption of the ordinary life of any of the churches.

Boght has improved the exterior of the church and built a chapel during the year, without incurring a debt. Several church societies have been organized, and the church seems to prosper.

Buskirks reports increased attendance upon services and increase of spiritual life. Increase in benevolence is credited to systematic giving.

Cohoes reports steady growth in membership and the maintenance of her benevolences. The only new feature is the support by the church of a mission in India.

Easton was organized in 1803, enjoyed a season of prosperity, after which it went into a slow decline, even being shut up at one time. But there are signs of better times, for there is a new interest, a new membership and a new energy among us, which can be blessed by God into a strong life.

Fort Miller reports increased interest in all the affairs of the church.

Gansevoort. The Missionary and Junior societies of the church are in active and successful operation.

Saratoga having revised its list of families and membership reports a shrinkage. Against this apparent loss is reported an increase in benevolent contributions. A Woman's Missionary Society, a Young Men's Bible Class and a Church Club have been organized.

Greenwich reports a year of uniform service with its corresponding mark of growth in Christian grace. The prayer meeting and C. E. are better attended than formerly, and there is a prosperity most gratifying as it is evidently of the Lord.

West Troy, North, reports manifest spiritual growth and a large addition to the membership. The Junior C. E. is counted one of the best conducted and most valuable auxiliaries of the church.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Owing to the unique method pursued in constructing the Report of this Classis we are not able to glean from the reports of the separate churches. Conforming to the arrangement of the Report, we select as follows:

Church Building. Second Rotterdam and Helderberg have each completed and dedicated a new, substantial and commodious church edifice, Helderberg removing the location from the country to the village. Altamont has beautified the auditorium by placing new windows. First, Schenectady, needs a new Sunday School room, and Second, Schenectady, a larger audience room, but neither feels able on account of financial depression to supply the need.

Finances. The contributions of the city and suburban churches have increased. In the country churches there has been a general decline.

Sunday Schools, whenever mentioned, are spoken of as most prosperous.

C. E. Societies exist in every church save one.

Spirituality. Lisha's Kill says: "The year has been one of sowing rather than reaping." Helderberg reports "a year of great and vital changes. The conditions of church life, owing to change of location and building, have been very unsettled, and not conducive to spiritual growth." In all the other churches reporting, the spiritual condition is declared to be most satisfactory.

New Churches. The church of Altamont was organized on April 16, 1896, with 95 members. It has fine prospects, is well located, promises immediate

growth and will be self-supporting. First, Schenectady, reports her Prospect Hill Mission as evidencing a growing desire for organization into a church with a pastor of their own.

The reports of increased attendance on services, and the almost unanimous praise of the works being done by the local religious societies, seem a clear indication that as a Classis we have passed our period of greatest depression, and that the near future has in store a great quickening of the spiritual life of our section.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

The statistical aggregates of the Classis show a slight decline in numerical strength and benevolent offerings, and though there does not appear to have been any spiritual declension, yet a deeper consecration on the part of each professed follower of the Lord would surely lead to more encouraging results.

Berne and Beaverdam have resolved to begin the next year with the envelope system for gathering benevolent contributions. During the past year the former has given the largest amount, with one exception, in the Classis.

Breakabeen. The S. S. is in flourishing condition. Its C. E. is vigorous.

Central Bridge and Howe's Cave are about to lose their efficient pastor. During his 2 years 35 have been received into the latter church.

Cobleskill and Lawyersiville. The prospects for renewed activity are highly encouraging.

Eminence hopes for new strength and usefulness.

Gallupville is discouraged by reason of continued decline in financial strength.

Gilboa has organized a Ladies' Aid Society which is doing good work. The Young Girls' Mission Band sent a box to the west. The Sunday School is prosperous.

Middleburgh reports extensive alterations and improvements in the auditorium. A superior new pipe organ has been provided. A chapter of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip has been formed.

Schoharie reports a good spiritual condition with increasing interest in the truth.

Sharon has been sorely afflicted by the death of a number of its best members.

South Gilboa reports Sunday School and C. E. as active and flourishing.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

From the reports sent in, we gather that the year has been one of faithful and diligent work. The additions by confession more than double those of last year, and the benevolent contributions are happily increased.

Blue Mountain reports faithful work done.

Flatflush reports all departments of the church doing faithful work and with fair success.

Katsbaan. The stated services have been maintained, and the work of the S. S. faithfully done. The C. E. society does its work. Benevolent contributions are usually liberal.

Kingston reports the church life steady and strong.

Port Ewen reports church services well attended.

Plattekill reports the Sunday Schools, prayer meetings and Senior and Junior C. E. as in a flourishing condition.

Roxbury reports church services well attended, and the Sunday School largely increased.

Saugerties reports spiritual condition favorable, with more than usual promise. A Mission, recently opened, develops interest among non-church goers.

Shandaken reports S. S. and C. E. flourishing.

Shokan rejoices in the comfort of a new heater, and reports general interest in the preached Word.

Church of the Comforter rejoices over temporal and spiritual prosperity and progress. Benevolences have increased. The church is doing steady, noble work.

Woodstock reports installation of a new pastor. They are encouraged and hopeful.

Churches not recognized in the above resume of the several Classical Reports are either (1) not mentioned in the reports, or (2) mentioned as sending "no report," or (3) nothing is reported in connection with them which your committee deem of general interest and value.

Inasmuch as this is the only Synod in the denomination which does not incorporate intact in its printed minutes the Reports sent up from the several Classes constituting the Synod; and in order that this serious defect (as it seems to your committee) may be removed we submit the following:

Resolved, (1) That the pastor and consistories of the several churches in the Synod be requested to keep in view, in preparing their annual Reports to their respective Classes, such organized work of the church in its several departments—such as Sunday School, Young People's Societies, Missionary Societies, Prayer Meetings and the like—as may not be gleaned from the regular statistical tables, together with other matters which may be deemed of more than local interest.

Resolved, (2) That the several Classes instruct their Committees on the State of Religion to prepare, from such Reports of the several churches, a *concise* and judiciously selected summary to be incorporated in the Report of Classis made to the Synod, using care to exclude from such Report all matters local to the Classis only.

Resolved, (2) That these Reports from the several Classes of the Synod be incorporated intact in the Report of Synod's Committee on Synodical Report.

Respectfully submitted,

BERGEN B. STAATS, *Chairman.*

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	386	17	14	10	..	15	680	8	4	....	....	1	360	$3,966 19	$ 665 12	$ 8,027 24	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Edward G. Selden	311	13	10	14	..	10	509	1	3	....	....	2	572	7,791 54	2,996 16	10,507 68	Albany, N. Y.
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	115	11	3	2	..	1	161	10	....	....	....	1	250	65 00	35 00	2,000 00	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	91	10	4	....	..	3	122	9	....	31	55	1	163	81 09	10 00	1,546 25	Albany, N. Y.
Holland Albany	Martin Flipse	75	2	1	2	..	2	145	6	....	....	40	1	150	159 00	122 00	2,600 00	Albany, N. Y.
First Bethlehem	Wm. H. Nasholds	168	....	5	1	..	3	224	6	....	....	....	5	425	129 58	.....	1,431 72	Beckers Corners, N. Y.
Second Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, S. C.	100	7	....	7	..	1	218	6	3	....	75	1	150	194 00	60 00	1,125 00	Delmar, N. Y.
Second Berne	Henry Lockwood	47	19	....	4	..	1	91	4	8	....	....	1	80	6 00	.....	427 04	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	Henry Lockwood	41	2	2	....	..	3	65	....	....	....	....	1	20	20 60	.....	865 21	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	E. W. Greene, S. S.	40	....	....	3	..	1	105	....	....	....	....	1	140	35 00	.....	419 69	New Salem, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	110	3	2	2	..	....	177	2	....	....	....	1	90	173 27	7 38	1,627 00	Coeymans, N. Y.
Jerusalem	Theo. A. Beekman	86	10	....	2	..	2	141	2	5	42	15	1	100	144 42	15 90	1,496 02	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem	E. W. Greene	80	2	....	8	..	2	157	4	1	....	....	1	104	12 48	32 92	911 36	New Salem, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant	30	3	1	2	..	1	37	1	2	1	8	1	50	.....	150 00	49 50	Clarksville, N. Y.
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	92	4	4	8	2	2	177	1	4	....	....	1	104	205 40	.....	1,671 91	New Baltimore, N. Y.
Union	T. A. Beekman, S. S.	38	....	2	2	..	....	30	1	....	13	....	1	53	7 18	1 00	320 06	Jerusalem, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant	30	10	....	....	..	2	73	....	6	....	....	1	67	158 73	18 30	427 50	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1840	113	48	67	2	49	3112	61	36	87	193	22	2878	$13,149 48	$4,113 78	$35,453 18	

Other Ministers—A. Dickson, Lansingburgh, N. Y.; J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore, N. Y.; C. P. Evans, Albany; J. H. Enders, Synodical Superintendent of P. S. A.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Athens	Wm. Wyckoff Schomp	112	4	4	2	..	3	163	7	2	47	....	2	186	$ 402 80	$24 25	$2,371 00	Athens, N. Y.
Second Athens	C. M. Perlee, S. S.	21	....	....	....	..	2	*27	....	....	10	....	1	74	11 12	.....	189 00	Leeds, N. Y.
First Catskill	Evert Van Slyke	179	3	....	3	..	10	*496	2	1	276	300	1	300	1,083 59	154 61	3,200 00	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	Walter Winant	112	52	9	....	..	3	260	1	26	40	100	3	217	205 73	10 00	1,774 00	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	145	39	5	8	1	4	312	4	16	20	....	†2	210	951 79	57 49	2,267 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Wm. Davis Ward	65	9	4	3	..	5	*165	....	4	30	....	1	75	184 00	15 00	921 00	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	70	4	....	1	1	2	134	3	3	28	54	†2	119	91 75	.....	1,140 00	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		704	111	22	17	2	29	1557	17	52	451	454	12	1181	$2,930 78	$261 35	$11,862 00	

Other Ministers—Rev. Andrew Parsons, Catskill, N. Y., Rev. Arthur J. Smith, New Brunswick, N. J.
Candidates—H. C. Cussler. *Revised list. †Union School.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam, First	J. R. Kyle	96	3	4	3	1	2	180	3	1	....	....	1	261	$290 00	$ 61 00	$2,108 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Amsterdam, Trinity	E. J. Blekkink	62	16	15	1	..	....	88	6	3	....	....	1	206	35 00	37 00	800 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. Campbell Boyd, S. S.	46	10	....	....	..	1	77	....	8	7	....	1	75	62 00	18 00	571 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Mark A. Denman	170	20	4	6	..	2	342	8	10	....	150	1	200	313 00	148 00	2,500 00	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Cicero	Vacant	30	....	....	....	..	....	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Cicero, N. Y.
Columbia	Wm. H. Shelland, S. S.	35	5	....	3	..	3	49	....	4	....	....	1	48	20 00	20 00	400 00	So. Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville	Supplied	45	4	....	2	..	1	67	3	3	30	....	1	52	.....	.....	249 00	Cranesville, N. Y.
Currytown	Peter S. Beekman	35	3	....	1	..	1	95	6	2	....	15	1	66	175 00	25 00	717 00	Currytown, N. Y.
Ephratah	Vacant	70	....	....	....	..	....	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Ephrata, N. Y.
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	5	....	1	..	3	111	2	5	....	....	1	140	100 00	9 00	1,000 00	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	J. A. DeBaun	214	53	7	7	1	10	444	6	35	....	150	3	375	462 00	139 00	3,057 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Supplied	35	19	....	....	..	....	33	1	10	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	67 00	Fort Herkimer, N. Y.
Fort Plain	Edward A. McCullum	210	101	8	5	..	5	425	26	24	....	250	1	340	592 00	132 00	3,005 00	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	Wm. Schmitz, S.C.	115	39	6	2	..	7	147	5	21	....	....	1	210	408 00	311 00	2,863 00	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	Jasper S. Hogan	83	18	5	1	..	1	128	1	15	....	....	1	182	197 00	36 00	1,129 00	Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman	Wm. A. Wurts	90	1	....	6	..	3	136	5	1	....	80	1	162	43 00	.....	1,214 00	Hagaman, N. Y.
Herkimer	John G. Gebhard	152	8	3	7	..	3	271	7	....	81	114	1	154	445 00	87 00	$3,150 00	Herkimer, N. Y.
Johnstown	John Van Burk	50	9	13	....	..		52	5	7	....	....	1	100	47 00	5 00	301 00	Johnstown, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY (CONTINUED.)

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Manheim	Vacant	25	....	....	....	....	....	39	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	Ingraham's Mills, N. Y.
Mapletown	John A. Thomson, S. S.	30	27	4	1	..	2	63	6	21	....	....	1	44	23 00	$ 3 00	$ 338 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Mohawk	Ira Van Allen	66	....	....	....	..	2	134	4	....	....	....	1	143	162 00	.....	1,453 00	Mohawk, N. Y.
Naumburg	Wm. F. Barny	24	3	....	2	..	....	48	2	....	30	....	1	34	40 00	.....	275 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
New Bremen	Wm. F. Barny	5	....	....	....	..	....	12	....	....	5	....	....	....	1 00	.....	38 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
Owasco	J. A. Rodger, S. S.	100	8	2	....	..	4	105	....	7	4	....	3	230	71 00	.....	875 00	Owasco, N. Y.
Owasco Outlet	F. A. Force	30	1	2	2	..	2	64	....	1	....	....	1	35	161 00	47 00	621 00	Auburn, N. Y.
Point Rock	F. E. Schlieder	14	....	....	....	..	....	29	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	13 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	Charles W. Kinney	135	22	1	3	..	5	223	3	11	....	....	1	204	49 00	100 00	2,045 00	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thomson	50	10	....	1	2	1	*103	10	3	....	70	1	70	123 00	13 00	520 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	Vacant	40	....	....	....	..	....	163	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	Sammonsville, N. Y.
First Syracuse	Henry D'B. Mulford	147	12	11	‡28	1	5	340	4	3	....	200	1	300	1410 00	435 00	5,325 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Second Syracuse§	Charles Maar	40	35	16	....	..	....	51	5	7	20	30	2	175	72 00	12 00	368 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Islands	Geo. Z. Collier	100	....	....	....	..	1	94	2	....	30	40	1	120	326 00	20 00	725 00	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Peter Crispell	100	5	9	3	..	3	165	4	1	....	100	1	120	1174 00	176 00	3,777 00	Utica, (21 South St.) N.Y.
West Leyden	F. E. Schlieder	30	5	3	1	..	....	55	2		....	6	1	51	60 00	.....	340 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
Total		2544	442	113	86	5	67	4317	128	203	217	1205	32	4127	$6,861 00	$1,834 00	$39,844 00	

Other Ministers—Rev. G. F. Verbeck, Tokio, Japan; D. Lord, Jordanville, N. Y.; R. R. Williams, 124 St. James Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Prof. Orin Root, Clinton, N. Y.; J. B. Thyne, Johnstown, N. Y.; A. D. Minor, Mohawk, N. Y.; Joel Loucks, McKinley, N. Y.; P. Q. Wilson, Ephratah, N. Y. *Revised list. ‡$1137 for special Chapel Fund. ‡Including 13 to form the Second Reformed church. §Organized Fall of 1895. ‖Report of 1891. Students under care of Classis, Fletcher V. W. Lehman, C. V. W. Bedford, H. Furbeck and A. H. Schlieder.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	J. H. Van Doren, S. S.	40	2	5	....	..	2	49	....	....	15	....	1	147	$ 85 00	.....	$ 665 00	Bath-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Blooming Grove	Louis Hieber, S. S.	66	28	9	....	..	6	123	5	11	....	....	1	88	166 00	.....	927 00	Defreestville, N. Y.
Castleton, Emmanuel	Eugene E. Thomas	133	4	3	3	..	7	207	6	2	40	....	2	264	154 00	$ 10 00	2,129 00	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Theo. S. Brown, S. S.	105	5	5	5	..	3	199	....	5	....	....	1	161	373 00	60 00	2,330 00	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	Philip T. Phelps	75	23	3	6	..	3	146	2	8	....	....	2	125	220 00	45 00	952 00	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Isaac S. Schenck	76	4	....	1	..	2	181	3	1	....	....	1	100	57 00	25 00	1,093 00	Stockport, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	113	7	....	1	..	2	213	2	5	....	....	1	124	124 00	50 00	1,823 00	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier, S.C.	145	....	5	4	..	6	291	2	....	....	50	2	160	1,608 00	125 00	2,603 00	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	132	2	....	2	..	4	210	1	2	....	....	1	150	158 00	10 00	1,325 00	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Vacant	25	3	1	....	..	1	54	1	1	....	....	1	35	10 00	6 00	280 00	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	John F. Shaw	80	2	....	2	..	2	152	2	2	....	....	2	170	160 00	20 00	1,252 00	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Josiah E. Crane	90	3	1	1	..	1	138	3	1	....	....	1	130	137 00	3 00	1,351 00	Schodack Landing, N.Y.
Stuyvesant	Geo. W. Furbeck	60	1	....	4	..	4	110	3	....	....	15	1	80	267 00	8 00	918 00	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	A. W. Hopper	59	19	3	....	..	2	90	5	5	31	....	1	70	73 00	20 00	859 00	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
	Total	1199	103	35	29	..	45	2163	35	43	86	65	18	1,804	$3,592 00	$382 00	$18,507 00	

Other Ministers—Elbert Nevins, Stuyvesant, N. Y.; John B. Drury, Editor *Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J.; Minor Swick, Somerville, N. J.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.			C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrolment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe	H. Hospers, Jr.	87	13	9	2	..	1	204	14	2	....	80	1	162	$ 98 15	$123 51	$ 950 67	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	G. Dangremond	50	10	10	....	..	....	138	9	....	....	....	1	60	12 50	.....	288 26	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	J. Van Westenburg, S.C	72	9	....	3	1	1	136	12	....	149	61	1	190	166 47	21 00	1,309 44	Brighton, N. Y.
Cleveland	S. M. Hogenboom	48	2	....	....	..	3	90	2	....	200	40	1	90	177 24	113 75	981 98	25 Linden St. Cleveland, O
Clymer Hill	P. G. M. Bahler	82	5	2	9	..	4	170	2	....	....	27	1	85	150 13	120 25	761 58	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	M. Ossewaarde	123	23	1	1	..	5	275	4	....	....	....	1	147	275 95	23 61	956 12	East Williamson, N. Y.
Ev. Prot. Ch. Buffalo	Vacant	15	7	....	31	..	1	35	6	....	....	20	2	45	.....	.....	560 00	Buffalo, N. Y.
Farmer	E. B. Van Arsdale	145	5	4	4	..	3	238	....	3	....	....	1	191	309 65	136 16	1,234 09	Farmer, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	8	....	....	..	5	188	....	3	....	160	1	160	233 31	26 11	1,328 23	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	P. Ihrman	151	24	10	2	..	2	339	26	2	321	72	1	192	136 76	44 66	1,101 63	Marion, N. Y.
New York Mills	Vacant	14	2	....	....	..	....	32	....	....	63	....	1	38	9 76	.....	187 00	New York Mills, N. Y.
Palmyra	W. Lubach	69	1	....	....	..	1	160	19	....	130	60	1	84	75 80	.....	625 63	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	64	4	....	2	..	1	155	8	....	....	....	1	125	80 75	4 00	867 34	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	165	4	....	2	2	4	296	8	....	....	40	1	230	450 36	31 06	2,369 90	41 Ontario St., Rochester
Second Rochester	C. M. Steffens	91	53	15	6	..	....	282	15	4	....	....	1	370	291 74	152 88	2,478 93	146 N. Union St. Rochester
Tyre	Vacant	25	6	4	13	..	6	50	2	4	....	....	1	75	52 81	.....	388 97	Magee, N. Y.
	Total	1301	176	55	75	3	37	2,788	127	18	763	560	17	2,244	$2,521 38	$796 99	$16,389 77	

Other Ministers—**Rev. J. Boehrer, Emeritus, 49 Barthel St., Buffalo, N. Y.; Rev. G. Van Blarcom.**

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bogbt	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	41	2	4	....	..	....	93	....	1	....	....	1	96	$ 68 56	.....	$ 966 18	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Robert J. Hogan	48	2	1	3	..	1	72	1	1	....	6	1	73	260 83	$ 13 00	624 80	Buskirks, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser, S. C.	264	9	3	2	..	3	465	8	4	....	....	1	325	703 57	200 91	4,583 83	Cohoes, N. Y.
Easton	Ulysses S. Schaul	36	7	1	....	..	1	30	....	6	....	....	1	35	1 65	60 00	350 00	North Easton, N. Y.
Fort Miller	Lyman E. Davis, P. E.	55	....	....	3	1	1	123	1	....	....	....	1	85	25 00	.....	361 46	Fort Miller, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Vacant	47	5	1	2	..	1	95	2	3	5	....	1	60	.....	.....	.....	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Greenwich	Frank C. Scoville	105	2	8	3	..	....	144	2	....	....	....	1	120	325 58	5 00	2,031 11	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	Lyman E. Davis P. E.	100	1	1	1	..	....	137	....	....	....	....	1	100	42 12	18 00	943 39	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John H. Brandow, P. E.	92	.....	...	1	..	....	194	....	....	....	....	1	122	214 90	64 31	1,662 80	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	George E. Macardel	*42	....	....	....	..	2	60	....	....	....	....	1	60	30 00	.....	.....	Reynolds, N. Y.
West Troy, North	C. B. F. Pease	170	26	5	3	..	3	259	2	12	....	....	1	190	298 23	144 15	3,537 10	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Vacant	*35	....	....	1	..	....	34	....	....	....	....	....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	P. A. Wessels, S. S.	*71	14	3	5	..	2	106	3	11	14	25	1	85	126 00	82 00	1,398 37	Wynantskill, N. Y.
		1,106	68	27	24	1	14	1,812	19	38	19	31	12	1,351	$2,156 44	$587 37	$16,459 04	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Schuylerville, N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.; Rev. George I. Taylor, 199 N. Third St., Newark, N. J.; Rev. John Smart, Cambridge, N. Y. *Last year's report

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Schenectady	Albert C. Sewall	309	5	13	9	..	9	540	7	3	....	....	3	682	$1,179 00	$326 00	$6,239 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Second Schenectady	Philip H. Cole	230	7	11	4	..	5	352	6	4	....	....	1	300	3,8 00	97 00	4,100 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
First Glenville	Joseph McIntyre	97	3	....	3	..	5	270	2	1	....	....	1	76	54 00	6 00	858 00	Glenville, N. Y.
Second Glenville	M. R. Gordon	85	7	3	1	..	....	168	6	7	....	....	4	210	62 00	5 00	1,519 00	Scotia, N. Y.
First Rotterdam	Alexander Hill	180	13	7	....	..	3	167	8	4	....	....	3	300	77 00	.....	1,150 00	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Second Rotterdam	John C. Knox	57	3	....	3	..	....	111	1	1	....	....	1	110	76 00	.....	$8,409 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Helderberg	Bergen B. Staats	100	5	7	+103	..	8	313	3	4	?	118	1	118	83 00	73 00	‡4,898 00	Altamont, N. Y.
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars, S. C.	130	18	2	10	..	2	*272	22	4	130	140	2	300	492 00	20 00	1,230 00	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Lisha's Kill	C. A. Conant	45	2	3	2	..	....	137	....	1	....	....	2	100	68 00	.....	900 00	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	54	10	3	....	..	....	152	....	5	....	....	1	140	49 00	.....	1,211 00	Visscher's Ferry, N. Y.
Princetown	T. C. Johnston, S. S.	115	23	12	10	..	2	290	13	10	....	65	1	205	66 00	117 00	1,235 00	Gifford, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant	L. Vanderveer, S. S.	41	6	3	4	..	1	62	3	6	....	64	1	143	15 00	12 00	1,041 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Bellevue	J. B. Thyne, S. S.	55	1	7	1	..	....	30	....	1	....	....	1	114	38 00	20 00	440 00	Johnstown, N. Y.
Altamont	Bergen B. Staats	60	....	+95	....	..	....	95	.....	.....	?	....	1	108	16 00	11 00	631 00	Altamont, N. Y.
	Total	1,558	103	166	150	..	35	2,959	71	51	130	387	23	2,906	$2,653 00	$687 00	$33,861 00	

Other Ministers—Rev. D. B. Hall, Duanesburgh, N. Y.; Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y.; Licentiate, J. V. Wemple, Schenectady, N. Y. *Revised list.
+94 dismissed from Helderberg to Altamonnt. ‡$3,675.00 for new church. §$7,000.00 for new church.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	Herbert B. Roberts	60	1	....	1	..	....	103	....	....	....	....	1	75	$ 11 80	$ 8 00	$ 350 00	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	Herbert B. Roberts	53	7	4	....	..	1	100	4	3	....	71	1	71	114 00	22 00	450 00	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	William W. Whitney	40	3	....	7	..	2	58	....	3	....	....	1	119	18 82	.....	286 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Central Bridge	Henry H. Lipes	27	....	1	4	..	....	34	....	....	....	....	1	68	.....	.....	320 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Dewitt G. Rockefeller	45	1	....	1	..	3	57	....	1	....	....	1	50	41 00	.....	450 00	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Vacant	10	....	....	....	..	1	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Eminence, N. Y.
Gallupville	Vacant	24	....	....	4	..	....	43	....	....	....	....	2	90	.....	.....	202 11	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	John H. Scarlet	58	....	....	....	..	....	102	....	....	....	....	1	70	7 00	8 00	750 00	Gilboa, N. Y.
Howe's Cave	Henry H. Lipes	62	21	1	....	2	....	86	3	13	....	....	1	50	36 66	.....	485 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	Dewitt G. Rockefeller	55	2	2	2	..	1	71	....	....	....	....	2	130	35 00	.....	800 00	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Charles W. Pitcher	102	8	....	2	..	2	168	....	4	....	....	1	107	39 57	45 04	3,037 05	Middleburgh, N. Y.
Moresville	Robert Neale, S. S.	15	2	....	....	..	....	19	....	....	....	....	....	....	10 80	.....	35 00	Prattsville, N. Y.
North Blenheim	William W. Whitney	45	1	....	5	..	1	50	....	....	....	....	1	52	12 00	.....	199 80	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	Robert Neale, S. S.	50*	2	....	....	..	1	35	....	....	....	....	1	40	11 30	.....	145 00	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	William C. Handy	60*	3	3	2	..	5	*144	....	1	....	....	1	95	240 65	89 26	1,358 21	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Vacant	50	....	....	....	..	7	*75	....	....	....	....	1	65	.....	.....	101 18	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	John H. Scarlet, S. S.	24	....	....	....	..	....	56	....	....	....	....	1	46	.....	.....	250 00	Gilboa, N. Y.
	Total	780	51	11	28	2	24	1,210	7	25	....	71	17	1,128	$578 60	$172 30	$9,219 35	

Other Ministers—Rev. Edward Miller, Cobleskill, N. Y.; Rev. Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; Rev. John S. Lott, 54 Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. D. K. Van Doren, District Superintendent American Bible Society, Mechanicsville, N. Y.; Stated Clerk; Rev. Philip Phelps, Ghent, N. Y. *Revised list.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
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Blue Mountain	Vacant	110	....	....	....	..	6	*200	5	....	17	....	2	125	$ 26 78	.....	$ 831 80	Fawns, N. Y.
Esopus	Vacant	65	6	3	4	..	1	142	5	3	....	50	2	209	73 22	$ 2 50	532 00	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard Dewitt	90	6	....	5	..	7	167	17	4	93	....	3	290	147 47	5 00	1,050 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	100	3	1	....	..	5	176	2	1	103	100	1	105	379 26	213 40	1,026 56	Katsbaan, N. Y.
Kingston, First	J. G. Van Slyke	270	14	2	2	..	9	*500	2	5	....	....	1	350	988 81	250 00	4,845 00	Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen	B. C. Lippincott, S. C.	110	2	1	1	2	3	*222	3	....	....	....	1	230	186 83	31 35	1,294 76	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Roe	164	11	5	....	..	3	276	5	2	....	....	2	201	132 44	71 15	881 00	Cockburn, N. Y.
Roxbury	N. H. Demarest	70	1	3	3	..	3	70	2	....	....	....	1	125	274 00	91 00	2,912 00	Roxbury, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	200	7	5	7	..	5	315	7	3	....	....	1	170	455 74	100 00	2,272 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandakin	Geo. Niemeyer	38	1	1	1	..	1	57	....	1	....	60	1	60	16 69	.....	559 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	Geo. Niemeyer	94	4	2	2	1	6	149	1	1	....	100	*3	200	29 54	.....	1,035 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	Vacant	12	....	....	....	..	....	32	....	....	....	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	Vacant	60	1	....	....	..	2	84	....	1	....	....	1	92	.....	.....	351 82	West Hurley, N. Y.
Kingston	J. Edgar Winne	90	26	3	1	..	2	156	9	7	37	49	1	240	253 44	23 55	802 82	Kingston, N. Y.
Woodstock	Clearfield Park	59	11	1	2	..	2	98	3	2	....	....	1	100	.....	10 00	595 00	Woodstock, N. Y.
	Total	1,532	93	27	28	3	55	2,634	61	30	250	359	22	2,497	$2,964 22	$797 95	$18,988 76	

Other Ministers—Rev. Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; Rev. Calvin Case, Brodhead, N. Y.; Rev. W. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; Rev. S. T. Cole, Katrine, N. Y.; Rev. Rufus M. Stanbrough, Kingston, N. Y.: Rev. Wm. S. Baker. *Revised list. †Two Union Schools.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Classes.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Stated Clerks.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	17	16	....	1840	113	48	67	2	49	3112	61	36	87	193	22	2878	$13,149 00	$4,114 00	$35,453 00	J. Lansing Pearse.
Greene	7	8	1	704	111	22	17	..	29	1557	17	52	451	454	12	1181	2,931 00	261 00	11,862 00	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	34	33	4	2544	442	113	86	5	67	4317	128	203	217	1205	32	4127	6,861 00	1,834 00	39,844 00	Wm. Seltmitz.
Rensselaer	14	16	....	1199	103	35	29	..	45	2163	35	43	86	65	18	1804	3,592 00	382 00	18,507 00	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	16	15	....	1301	176	55	75	3	37	2788	127	18	763	560	17	2244	2,521 00	797 00	16,390 00	J Van Westenburg.
Saratoga	13	13	....	1106	68	27	24	1	14	1812	19	38	19	31	12	1351	2,156 00	587 00	16,459 00	Oliver H. Walser.
Schenectady	14	15	1	1558	103	166	150	..	35	2959	71	51	130	387	23	2906	2,653 00	687 00	33,861 00	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	13	....	780	51	11	28	2	24	1210	7	25	....	71	17	1128	579 00	172 00	9,219 00	D. K. Van Doren
Ulster	15	16	....	1532	93	27	28	3	55	2634	61	30	250	359	22	2497	2,964 00	798 00	18,989 00	B. C. Lippincott.
Total	147	145	6	12564	1260	504	504	18	355	22552	526	496	2003	3325	175	20116	$37,406 00	$9,632 00	$200,584 00	

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. M. Flipse and Holland Reformed church of Albany, April 22, 1896.

Classis of Greene.

Died.

Rev. Benjamin Van Zandt, D. D., October 14, 1895.

Classis of Montgomery.

Received.

Rev. Joel Loucks, from the Classis of Raritan, Sept. 16, 1895.

Rev. Chas. Maar, from the Classis of Schoharie, Oct. 28, 1895.

Rev. F. A. Force, from the Classis of Schoharie, Dec. 2, 1895.

Installed.

Rev. John Van Burk, over the church of Johnstown, May 15, 1895.

Rev. Chas. Maar, over the church of Syracuse, Second, Oct. 28, 1895.

Rev. F. A. Force, over the church of Owasco Outlet, Jan. 14, 1896.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. F. W. Ruhl and the church of Manheim, Aug. 26, 1895.

Between Rev. A. D. Minor and the church of Fort Herkimer, Dec. 2, 1895.

Dismissed.

Rev. F. W. Ruhl, to Classis of Orange, Aug. 26, 1895.

Died.

Rev. Joseph Knieskern, September, 1895.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Received.

Rev. Louis Hieber, Oct. 1, 1895, from the North Classis of Long Island.

Installed.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps, over the First church of Ghent, Oct. 16, 1895.

Died.

Rev. Dewitt B. Wyckoff, Oct. 15, 1895.

Classis of Rochester.

Received.

Rev. C. M. Steffens, Licentiate, from the Classis of Holland, May 16, 1895.

Rev. G. Daugremond, from the Classis of Iowa, Nov. 13, 1895.

Installed.

Rev. C. M. Steffens, over the Second, Rochester, May 16, 1895.

Rev. G. Daugremond, over the church of Arcadia, Nov. 13, 1895.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. J. Boehrer and the Evangelical Protestant Christ church, Buffalo, Oct. 2, 1895.

Between Rev. G. Van Blarcom and the church of Tyre, Jan. 28, 1896.

Classis of Saratoga.

Received.

Rev. Ulysses S. Schaul, a student from Union Theological Seminary, examined for licentiate and ordination.

Rev. J. H. Brandow, from the Presbytery of Otsego.

Rev. Lyman E. Davis, from the Hudson River Association of Congregational ministers and churches.

Installed.

Rev. Ulysses S. Schaul, over the church of Easton, N. Y., June 28, 1895.

To be installed May 26.

Rev. J. H. Brandow, over the church of Saratoga, at Schuylerville, N. Y.

To be installed June 4.

Rev. Lyman E. Davis, over the church of Northumberland, at Bacon Hill.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. J. A. Hainer and the church of Saratoga at Schuylerville, Nov. 1, 1895.

Between Rev. N. J. Gulick and the church of Northumberland at Bacon Hill, Jan. 1, 1896.

Dismissed.

Rev. J. G. Ogden, to the Presbytery of New York.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Received.

The licentiate, J. V. Wemple, May 22, 1895.

Rev. Joseph McIntyre, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North, June 11, 1895.

Installed.

Rev. Joseph McIntyre, over the First church of Glenville, June 11, 1895.

Dismissed.

Rev. Thomas E. Morton, to Classis of Westchester.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Received.

Rev. W. W. Whitney, from the Classis of Hudson, April 21, 1896.

Rev. Dewitt G. Rockefeller, from the Presbytery of Albany, April 21, 1896.

Installed.

Rev. Dewitt G. Rockefeller, over the churches of Cobleskill and Lawyersville.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Chas. Maar and the churches of Cobleskill and Lawyersville.

Between Rev. Philip Phelps and the churches of North Blenheim and Breakabeen.

Between Rev. F. A. Force and the church of Gallupville.

Between Rev. H. H. Lipes and the churches of Central Bridge and Howe's Cave.

Dismissed.

Rev. Chas. Maar, to Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. F. A. Force, to Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. H. H. Lipes, to Presbytery of Geneva, April 21, 1896.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Received.

Candidate Wm. S. Baker, from the Classis of Bergen, July 19, 1895.

Rev. Clearfield Park, from the Presbytery of West Jersey, Feb. 17, 1896.

Installed.

Rev. Wm. S. Baker, over the church of Woodstock, July 30, 1895.

Rev. Clearfield Park, over the church of Woodstock, March 10, 1895.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Wm. S. Baker and the church of Woodstock, Oct. 15, 1895.

Between Rev. H. P. Lyman Wheaton and the church of Esopus, Oct. 1, 1895.

Dismissed.

Rev. H. P. Lyman Wheaton, to the Classis of Raritan, Oct. 1, 1895.

ARTICLE IX.

Benevolent Institutions.

Rev. Peter H. Milliken. Ph. D., as representative of the Board of Domestic Missions, and Rev. Peter Stryker, D. D., as representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, were heard on the evening of the second day.

ARTICLE X.

Delegates to Synod.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classes. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. A. M. Arcularius,	Rev. W. N. P. Dailey,
" E. P. Johnson, D. D.,	" Henry Miller,
" E. G. Selden, D. D.,	" A. Dickson.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
Jasper Hotaling,	H. Ammenheuser,
Peter E. Lansing,	David Ehle,
W. L. M. Phelps,	H. H. DeRouville.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. F. S. Barnum,	Rev. W. W. Schomp,
" W. D. Ward,	" E. Van Slyke, D. D.,
" Walter Winant,	" A. Parsons.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
Thomas Bell,	W. M. Collier,
D. T. Lennon,	Wm. Overbaugh,
S. T. Burroughs,	S. D. Plank.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: From 9 to 11:45 A. M., from 2 to 5 P. M., and from 7:30 P. M. until such hour as Synod may adjourn.

The following appointments were made by the Committee on Religious Exercises for the communion service on the afternoon of the second day. To preside and read the form, the President of Synod, the Rev. Philip T. Phelps; to distribute bread, the Rev. J. H. Enders; to distribute the wine, the Rev. C. W. Burrows; assisting elders, W. M. Collier, J. H. Van Auken, J. A. Best, A. S. Vanderzee.

On the evening of the first day, by invitation of the Synod, the Rev. H. M. Cox delivered an address on "Systematic Beneficence."

On the evening of the second day the Rev. E. A. Collier, D. D., delivered an address on "Our Western Educational Institutions."

The first half hour of the second day was spent in devotional service, led by the Rev. J. S. Hogan.

The privileges of the floor were extended to the following brethren: Rev. P. H. Milliken, Ph. D., Rev. Peter Stryker, D. D., Rev. Henry M. Cox.

A telegram of greeting was received from the Particular Synod of New York.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have printed and to distribute among the Classes the usual number of copies of the Minutes.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be given to the Rev. H. M. Cox for his able address before the Synod on "Systematic Beneficence."

Resolved, That we tender our hearty thanks to the Pastor, Consistory, Congregation, the King's Daughters, the Choir, and the Organist of the Second Reformed Church of Rochester, for the delightfully

whole-hearted and solicitous manner in which they received us and cared for our comfort and success; and that we earnestly pray that the riches of heaven's grace and power may abide upon them, giving them in the years to come, abundant temporal and spiritual prosperity.

Resolved, That we also express our thanks to the press of the city for the attention they have given to our sessions.

Resolved, That the choice of the next place of meeting be left to the President, Vice-President and Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE XII.

Resumption and Close.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The roll was called and every member was found present.

ARTICLE XIII.

Adjournment.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the First Reformed Church of Athens, N. Y., on the first Tuesday in May, 1897, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with prayer by the Rev. C. M. Steffins.

PHILIP T. PHELPS, *President.*

WM. W. SCHOMP, *Vice-President.*

Robert J. Hogan,
J. Van Westenberg, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the Minutes.

C. P. Ditmars, *Stated Clerk.*

PRESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1866—1896.

1866. Rev. Chas. Scott, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1867. " John L. McNair, 2nd Albany.
1868. " Philip Peltz, D. D., Saugerties.
1869. " B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
1870. " John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North)
1871. " S. J. Rogers, Kinderhook.
1872. " R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873. " J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874. " Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875. " Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876. " J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy, (South)
1877. " Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878. " J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879. " Edw. A. Collier, Chatham Village.
1880. " George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881. " John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
1882. " Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883. " Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884. " Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885. " Andrew J. Hagaman, Fort Plain.
1886. " James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
1887. " Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
1888. " John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889. " Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890. " Denis Wortman, D. D., 2d Schenectady.
1891. " F. S. Barnum, 2d Coxsackie.
1892. " Philip Furbeck, Schoharie.
1893. " Philip Phelps, D. D., Canajoharie.
1894. " John G. Van Slyke, D. D., 1st Albany.
1895. " Bergen B. Staats, Saugerties.
1896. " Philip T. Phelps, 2d Rochester.

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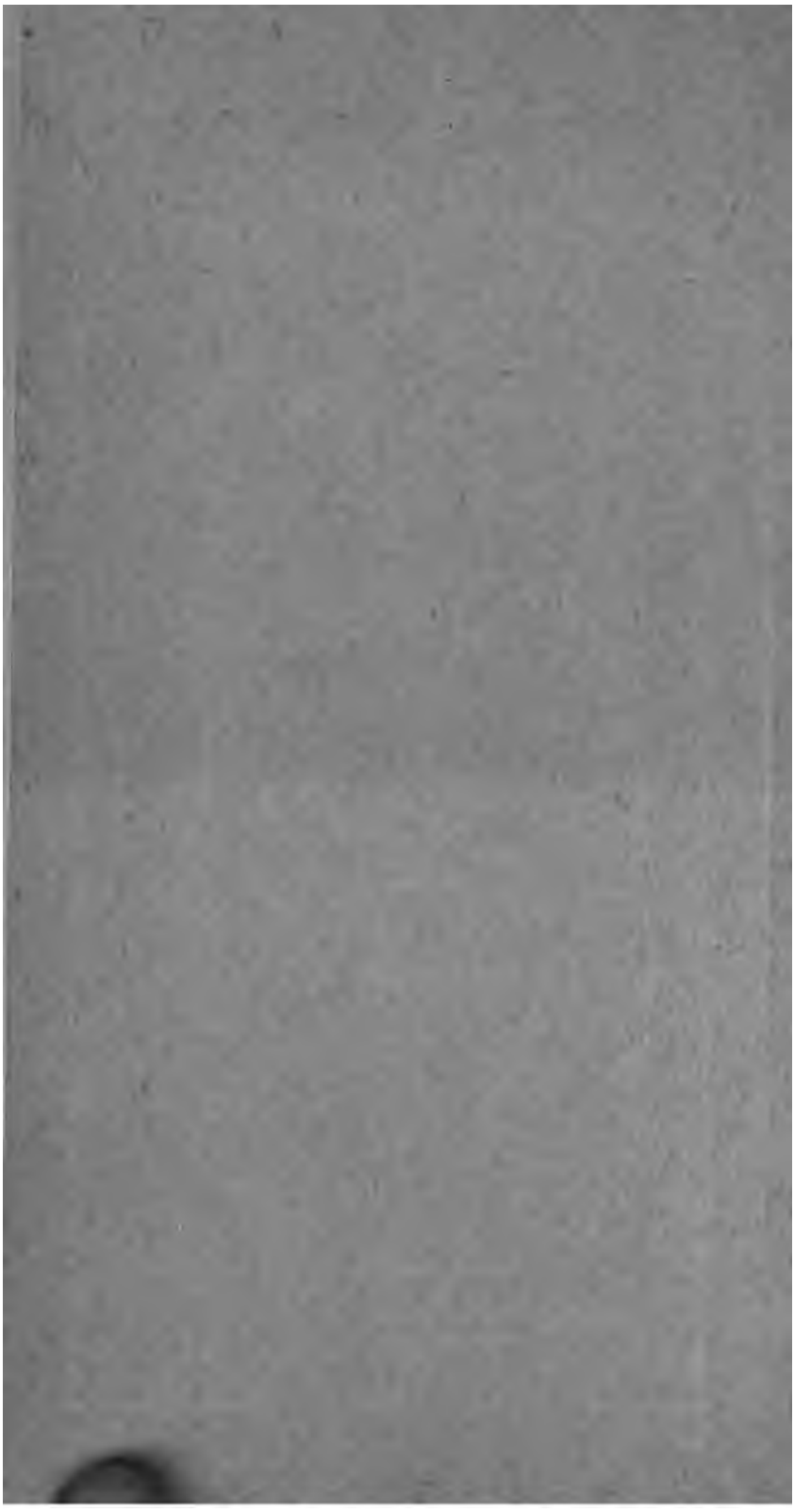

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session, May 4th, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M., in the First Reformed Church of Athens, N. Y., and continued in session until 9:45 P. M. on Wednesday, May 5th.

The Synod was called to order by the Rev. Philip V. Phelps, the retiring President, who preached the Synodical Sermon, taking as his text Matt. 22: 42.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were found present:

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. H. Lockwood,	
" J. L. Pearse,	
" J. Van Westenburg.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. A. Parsons,	Wm. Van Orden,
" W. W. Schomp,	F. R. Lape,
" C. M. Perlee,	J. M. C. Verplanck,
" F. S. Barnum,	M. M. Sager,

From the Classis of Montgomery

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. John A. DeBaun, D.D.,	
" E. J. Blekkink,	
" J. G. Gebhard,	
" Wm. Schmitz,	

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. P. T. Phelps,	Geo. E. Barringer,
" J. P. Beaver,	J. P. Van Buren.
" G. W. Furbeck.	

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. M. Ossewarde.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. C. B. F. Pease,	A. T. VanVranken, M.D.,
" G. Macardel.	

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. Philip H. Cole,	F. Onderdonk,
" C. P. Ditmars,	Abram VanVranken,
	J. V. Vrooman.

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. H. B. Roberts,	Geo. Scrafford.
" W. W. Whitney,	
" James Jongeneel,	
" D. K. Van Doren.	

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. A. J. Sebring,	Jas. E. Van Aken.
" J. G. Van Slyke, D. D.,	
" B. C. Lippincott,	
" C. VanSantvoord, D.D.,	

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Rev. Philip H. Cole was chosen President; Re A. J. Sebring, Vice-President; Revs. M. Osseward and C. M. Perlee, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed:

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. B. C. Lippincott,	F. R. Lape,
" C. B. F. Pease,	J. P. VanBuren,
" C. M. Perlee.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. E. J. Blekkink,	F. Onderdonk,
" J. Van Westenberg,	Geo. Scrafford.
" M. Ossewarde.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps,	A. T. VanVranken,
" D. K. Van Doren,	Wm. VanOrden.
" Geo. E. Macardel.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. A. J. Sebring,	J. V. Vrooman,
" J. L. Pearse,	A. T. VanVranken.
" J. P. Beaver.	

On Nominations.

Rev. J. G. Gebhard,	Abram VanVranken,
" C. P. Ditmars,	M. M. Sager,
" A. Parsons.	

On the Treasury.

Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck,	Geo. Scrafford,
" W. Whitney,	Dewitt Roosa.
" C. B. F. Pease.	

On Necrology.

Rev. John A. DeBaun.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
On Religious Exercises.	
Rev. W. W. Schomp,	J. M. C. Verplank,
" F. S. Barnum,	Geo. E. Barringer,
" H. B. Roberts.	
On Missions.	
Rev. J. G. Van Slyke,	J. P. Van Buren,
" G. W. Furbeck,	J. E. Van Aken,
" H. Lockwood.	
On Leave of Absence.	
Rev. Wm. Schmitz,	F. R. Lape,
" James Jongeneel,	F. Onderdonk,
" H. B. Roberts.	

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's Accounts and vouchers were received and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The delegates to General Synod nominated by the several classes were received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

A letter from the Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, calling attention to the fact that a delegate at large from this Synod should be appointed temporarily in the place of the Elder, N. F. Graves, deceased, was received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

An appeal of the Rev. Albert Dodd Minor from the decision of the Classis of Montgomery, with its accompanying documents, was received and referred to the Committee on Judicial Business.

The Annual report of the Rev. J. H. Enders, Synodical Missionary Superintendent, was received and referred to the Committee on Missions.

An overture from the Classis of Ulster, asking that the censure made on their minutes by the Synod of last year, in regard to their record of answers to question seven, was received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the Minutes of the General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of Chicago, New Brunswick and New York, were received, and referred to the Committee on Synodical Minutes. The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods:

Chicago, Rev. Philip T. Phelps.

New Brunswick, Rev. F. S. Barnum.

New York, Rev. A. J. Sebring.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted.

On Religious Exercises.

Your Committee would respectfully report the following arrangement for the next Synod.

On the evening of the second day the Rev. John G. Gebhard be appointed to deliver an address, after the representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, with the Rev. George W. Furbeck as secundus, the speaker to choose his subject."

W. W. SCHOMP,
Chairman.

On the Treasury.

Your Committee would report that the accounts of the Treasurer have been examined, and are found to be correct. We would recommend that five dollars be paid to the sexton of the Church in which we are met, for services rendered. We also recommend that the classical assessments be the same as those of last year.

GEO. W. FURBECK,
Chairman.

The Treasurer's Report.

1896.	Dr.			
May	1.	Balance from last year		$92 91
"	9.	Cash from Classis of Greene		14 00
"	9.	" " "	Schenectady	21 00
"	11.	" " "	Montgomery	31 00
"	15.	" " "	Albany	28 00
June	15.	" " "	Saratoga	16 00
"	30.	" " "	Rochester	11 00
Sept.	17.	" " "	Ulster	23 00
Oct.	9.	" " "	Schoharie	10 00
"	13.	" " "	Rensselaer	17 00
		Total		$263 91
1896.	Cr.			
May	6.	Paid Sexton at Rochester		$ 5 00
"	8.	" Salary of Stated Clerk		75 00
Sept.	16.	" Union Publishing Co. for Printing of Minutes		84 00
Oct.	14.	" Expenses of Rev. H. M. Cox,		15 61
		Total		$179 61
1897.				
May	1.	Balance to new account		$84 30

On Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology would respectfully report:

The *Rev. Philip Phelps, D.D. LL.D.* of the Classis of Schoharie, rested from his labors, Sept. 4, 1896, aged 70 years. He was born where he died, in Albany, N. Y. He graduated in Union College, and at New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1849. In 1850 he became pastor of the Reformed Church of Hastings-on-the-Hudson, where he remained until 1859, where he was called to succeed the Rev. John Van Vleck as principal of Holland Academy. When that institution was chartered as Hope College Dr. Phelps became the first President, and filled that office until 1878. And he filled it admirably well under very trying circumstances. In the very nature of the case the infant college had a hard struggle financially, but that was only a part of the President's anxieties. The whole plan and curriculum were

necessarily to be adapted to the peculiarities of the place, time and circumstances, according to his judgment, and the constituency was to be found and provided for largely by his multiple and untiring efforts. The teaching force, of course was small in numbers and overburdened, and the President in his own person had to fill diverse chairs. Moreover, for ten years he served as Lector in the Theological department which was essentially a separate institution.

How well, how admirably he fulfilled the duties and held the exigencies of his position, there are still some of his associates, and all who are still living of his students to testify. Scholarly himself he knew how to make and to enthuse scholars, of untiring energy himself, he knew how to severate energy. But most all of his pupils speak of his magnetic influence for manliness, sincerity and consecration. He made Hope College what a college is not always, a nursery of piety, and a centre of christian enthusiasm. And this by no means at the expense of scholarship; in this also he insisted upon and established a high and honorable standard, and many of his students have most worthily filled positions to which only thoroughly trained and consistently animated men can hope to attain. As time and history go on the Presidency of Dr. Phelps at Hope College will loom higher and higher in honor to him, and in precedent of all good things for the institution.

After resigning the presidency, Dr. Phelps gave himself for eight years to literary work. Then he accepted a modest pastorate in the Classis of Schoharie. Here he conscientiously and faithfully and fruitfully performed the duties of a country minister for nine years, with his accustomed enthusiasm and devotion. And then at last, approaching his three score years and ten, he stopped to rest; and soon the Master took him into the rest which remaineth for the people of God.

Altogether, Dr. Phelps was one of those whose memory in the Reformed Church shall remain honorable and fragrant as long as her sons cherish the work and the names and the love of their fathers in God.

It is a matter of sincere satisfaction that the Church did not fail to appreciate and honor him during his life-time. In 1864 he was elected to the Presidency of the General Synod; and he never attended a Synod in which he was not recognized as one of the wisest and most trusted counsellors. At one time or another he served as chairman of all the most important committees. Four years ago he was President of this Particular Synod.

The *Rev. Theodore S. Brown*, of the Classis of Rensselaer, and for the last sixteen years acting pastor of the Reformed Church of Chatham, died January 14th, 1897, aged 72 years. He was born near Canaan Centre, N. Y. He was educated first in a private school, and graduated from Union College in 1844. After studying law for one year he decided to enter the ministry, and graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1847. His first pastorate was in the Presbyterian Church at New Concord and Canaan, where he remained until 1854, when he became pastor of the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church in Plainfield, N. J. His labors there were blessed with abundant harvests. In 1867 he removed to the Memorial Presbyterian Church, in Brooklyn, where he remained for seven years. He was then called to Dunellen, N. J., where he served until 1880, when he took charge of the Reformed Church at Chatham, where he finished his ministry. His earnest work at Chatham was very efficient, and he secured the warmest attachment of his people and of the whole community. He was particularly regarded as a promoter of harmony and good will, and his wise counsels in the Church, in the Classis and the Synod were esteemed most highly by

all his associates. We gladly print the following extract from the address at his funeral by the Rev. E. A. Collier, D.D., of Kinderhook, and wish that we had room for the whole of it:

I must speak about Brother Brown's relation to the Classis. He became a member of it sixteen years ago last October. He has been one of the most valuable and one of the most faithful members the Classis has ever had. He had a very clear mind and the faculty of quick discernment. His common sense was remarkable and in times of perplexity, when knotty and disagreeable questions came up, it was to Brother Brown that we looked for wise counsel and we never looked in vain. His judgment was always true, and he was always ready with the wise word wisely said. Not only that, but there was a gentleness and a kindness in his relation to us that we never shall forget. His sermons were characterized by more than common power, always with ability, freshness and originality, and his prayers, they lifted us right up to Heaven. You can bear witness with me as to their freshness and origi nality. They were devoid of the common, stock phrases that in too many cases we hear from the pulpit. They were always new, always fresh, always beautiful. They lifted us right up, it seemed to me, to the Mercy seat.

When we think of his record in every capacity, we recognize that his name is fittingly "Theodore" Divine gift. He has gone from the home, he has gone from the ministry, but he has gone to Christ. Christ has called him where He is that he may share in His glory and so we say, "Hail, Theodore, Divine gift, we give thee back to the One who gave thee to us, and blessed be the name of the Lord."

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. DeBaun,

Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

The following minutes were referred to your committee, Classis of Albany, Green, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Rochester, Schenectady, Schoharie, Saratoga and Ulster.

We found on examintion that the Classis of Ulster neglected to answer question 7 according to the requirement of Particular Synod, viz: to record number of Boards and Funds to which the churches have contributed, and call the attention of this Classis to said omission.

We find also that two Classis, Rochester and Green, held special meetings and did important business at which there were present but two elders. The former made one of its ministers a ruling elder and proceeded to business; the latter proceeded to business without a quorum and at a later meeting approved the actions taken. We believe that both these Classes were unconstitutionally convened and respectfully call the attention of said Classes to this matter, so that it may not be repeated in the future.

The others we find correct.

E. J. BLEKKINK,
Chairman.

On Missions.

The Committee on Missions would respectfully report that the only communications referred to it are those of the Rev. J. H. Enders, our Synodical Missionary Superintendent, and the informal suggestions implied in the addresses of the visiting representatives of the Mission Boards.

The Missionary Superintendent bears witness to both material and spiritual progress among many of the feebler and struggling Churches within the bounds of this Synod, and gives evidence of the fidelity and devotion with which he has discharged his arduous labors. The value of his work is evinced by many encouraging results.

We propose to the Synod the following resolutions:

First, that we put upon record our appreciation of the services of Rev. J. H. Enders, and bespeak for him the more definite co-operation from members of the various Classis, which he solicits.

Second, that we respond to his urgent recommendation that systematic beneficence in mission work be, as far as practicable, established in all our Churches.

Your Committee would furthermore commend to the Synod, the appeals conveyed to it by the representatives of the Mission Boards, to whose addresses we have listened, and entreat all Pastors to endeavor to waken their Churches, not only to put on their strength, but also to put it forth, in extending the sway of Him, to whom this planet has been donated.

Your Committee wish to remind the members of Particular Synod that we are met with a Church, memorable in the history of missions. Rev. David Abeel, D. D., the first pastor of this Church may well be called the father of the Foreign missionary work of our denomination.

The memory of this Godly man, his consecrated life, his love for the souls of men, his intense missionary zeal, should inspire us to renewed activity in missionary work and to prosecute with greater vigor this work which David Abeel was permitted of God to inaugurate in our beloved denomination.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. G. VAN SLYKE,
Chairman.

On Synodical Minutes.

Your Committee on Synodical Minutes would respectfully report that they have examined the Minutes of General Synod of 1896 and of the Particular Synods of New York, New Brunswick and Chicago, and find nothing of special moment to bring before this body.

B. C. LIPPENCOTT,
Chairman.

On Judicial Business.

The Committee on Judicial Business respectfully report that an overture from the Classis of Ulster has been placed in their hands, asking that the censure imposed by the Particular Synod of Albany, of 1896, be removed, respecting which your Committee recommend the following:

WHEREAS, by examination of the Minutes of the several Classes, we discover no uniformity in the answers given to Question Seven of the Constitution, therefore

Resolved, That the implied censure of the Classes of Rochester and Ulster be, and hereby is removed.

Resolved, That in the future the number of Boards and Funds, to which contributions have been made be given and recorded, as we believe to be in accordance with a deliverance of the General Synod.

Your Committee would also respectfully report that an appeal of the Rev. Albert Dodd Minor from an action of the Classis of Montgomery, adverse to his ministerial standing, has been placed in their hands, together with the minutes of the said Classis, so far as bearing on the case.

Your Committee find the appeal in order, and that the record of the case in the Minutes of Classis seems to have been properly kept. Although the appellant is not personally present to act in his own defense, as would be his constitutional right, yet as he seems to receive such right by requesting a decision at the hands of this Synod, and moreover, has presented his defence in writing: therefore your Committee deem it in order for the Particular Synod to entertain the appeal, and to proceed to a judicial review of the case.

We therefore recommend that the Synod proceed with the case in the order prescribed for conducting appeals in the Rules of Order of the General Synod, which are as follows (see Appendix, page 74.)

In the personal absence of the appellant, we recommend that his communication above referred to be read in lieu of the personal defence provided for in the rules of General Synod.

Signed, A. J. SEBRING,
Chairman.

Upon the reception of this report, the President announced that the Synod was about to sit as a Court of Jesus Christ, and prayer was offered by the Rev. F. S. Barnum.

The case was then taken up as outlined by the Committee.

The sentence appealed from was read.

The appeal and reasons for the appeal were read.

All the documents in the case were read as prescribed by the Committee.

The Commissioner of the Classis, the Rev. John A. DeBaun was heard.

The appellant was heard in defense by the reading of his type-written address to Synod. The Commissioner of Classis was heard in rebuttal.

The parties in the case withdrew.

After the brethren of Synod had expressed their opinion, the vote was taken on the following motion.

Resolved, That the whole case of the Classis of Montgomery, against the Rev. A. D. Minor, be remitted to the Classis, with instructions to take the case under new consideration, and new action, if Classis deem best, in view, of the judgement of Synod that there was a constitutional error in their procedure, viz.: that at the trial on July 6th, 1896, the witnesses were not called and examined before the Classis in the presence of the accused.

On Synodical Report.

Your Committee on the State of Religion respectfully report as follows:

The usual statistical tables, narratives of the condition of the churches, and ministerial changes have been

received from all the Classes. A careful review of these records affords much cause for gratitude to God for His manifold blessings during the past year, and also incentives for renewed zeal and greater faithfulness during the year to come.

The year has not been what may be called a revival year. No *special* manifestation of the Holy Spirit in the conversion of souls and the quickening of God's people is recorded. It has been an uneventful period on the whole. Nearly all the churches report progress along the usual lines of work, with an ordinary degree of interest and prosperity. Good work has been done, however, and all are encouraged.

The number received on confession is 391 less than last year, or 190 below the average for the previous ten years, and the smallest number received during any one year for the previous ten years, with the exception of the year 1892, when it was about the same. This is in marked contrast with last year, which witnessed the largest ingathering for many years. Twenty-nine churches out of the 146 report having received ten or over on confession. Out of the 869 received on confession these 29 churches received 507, and nine churches received 250 of this number.

On certificate 34 less than last year were received, or about the average for the previous ten years.

There were dismissed 142 less than last year. Suspended exactly the same number. Died three more. When from the total additions, namely 1,299, we deduct the total losses, 738, we have a net gain of 561. But on account of supposed revision of rolls there is indicated a loss of four, as is shown by comparing the total in communion of the two years. Thus there is, as usual, a large leakage somewhere, this year of 565, as against 598 reported last year.

We find one Church less than last year. Two Churches have been lost. One, the Church of New

Bremen in the Classis of Montgomery, is reported as extinct, and the other, the Evangelical Protestant Church of Buffalo, in the Classis of Rochester, as taken from the roll. One new organization has been added, that of Ontario, in the Classis of Rochester. Twenty-five years ago the Synod reported two more Churches than it has at present. It records to-day one Church more than ten years ago.

There are recorded eight families more this year than last, a little over 1000 more than ten years ago.

Your Committee have been unable to comply with the resolutions adopted by the Synod last year regarding the incorporation intact in this report of "concise summaries" of the condition and work of the Sunday Schools, Young Peoples' Societies, Missionary Societies, Prayer Meetings, and the like, in as much as the Classis have not furnished these abstracts. In a general way, however, it may be said that a large number of Churches call special attention to the flourishing condition of the Sunday Schools, the activity and helpfulness of the societies of Christian Endeavor, and the good work of the Ladies' Societies. All of the Churches are provided with Sunday Schools. According to last years' report of the Womans' Board of Foreign Missions, 95 Churches have Womans' Foreign Missionary Societies; and from the minutes of the last General Synod, 105 are provided with societies of Christian Endeavor. The total enrollment in the Sunday Schools shows a gain of 221, and is the largest thus far reported.

Now concerning the collection. Turning to the contributions for denominational objects we find that the churches have given $4,965 less this year than last. It must be remembered, however, that last year special contributions were made for the debt of the Foreign Mission work of the Church, which, according to the report of the Board of Foreign Missions, amounted, for this Synod, to $4,960, which is

within only five dollars of the decrease this year; so that, excluding the special offerings of last year, the amount for the regular work this year is only $5.00 below that of last year. On comparing this year with the previous six years, reckoning from the year 1891 when the offerings for "other objects" began to be reported separately by all the Classes of the Synod, we find that the offerings this year are $563 below the average of those of the six previous years. Or, if we deduct the special offerings of $6,592 made for the debt of Foreign Missions in the year 1893, then the amount this year is $537 above the average of the six previous years. So that considering the special effort made last year, and the stringency of the times, to which many of the churches allude in their reports, the churches have done fairly well as compared with other years. However, it cannot be said that they have come up to their ability, and ability is the measure of responsibility in giving as in many other matters. Often there is danger in comparing the offerings of one year with those of previous years in the fact that there is a tendency to rest satisfied in case the gifts of the one year reach, or perhaps exceed, those of other years, whereas the standard of comparison often is not high enough. When we measure ourselves with ourselves we are not wise. As God hath prospered, yea with the spirit of self sacrifice, is the N. T. rule of giving, and is to be our standard of offering that we may truly honor the Lord with our substance. However, that we may gain a better idea of our present condition as regards our contributions we continue the comparison.

The contributions this year for other objects are $475 in excess of those of last year, or a little below the average of the past six years. Comparing the sum total of contributions for denominational and other objects this year with last we find a decrease of $4,490; or, excluding the special offerings of last year for the

debt, then an increase of $465 over last year; and if we exclude the two special offerings for debts in 1893 and 1896, then an increase of $1,191 over the average of the past six years.

Turning to the contributions for congregational purposes we find a decrease of $4,743 from that of last year, a figure very nearly the same as the decrease in the benevolent contributions.

We now review very briefly the condition of the several Classes and Churches as gleaned from the reports, using in many instances the language of the records.

Classis of Albany.

A review of this Classis shows that while there has been no special manifestation of interest, yet that a fair degree of success has attended the prosecution of the Lord's work along the usual lines. Three Churches, First Albany, Third Albany, and Knox report large additions on confession. Nearly all of the churches mention as an encouraging feature of their work the bestowal of God's blessing upon the instruction in the Sabbath School. The offerings for denominational objects and the total benevolent contributions are below those of last year, and above those of 1895. There has been a net gain of 109 members.

First Albany—Rejoices in a year of Grace and growth, the best year of the six of the present pastorate. It has felt the importance of tender interest in persons and direct appeal to them. Fifty-nine have been received on confession, and 24 on certificate, making the largest ingathering of the Synod. An unusual spiritual interest and activity is manifested in the Sunday School.

Madison Avenue, Albany—Reports a continuance of the harmony and good spiritual tone of the Church. Attendance at all the services has exceeded that of recent years.

Third Albany—Is doing good work in a large field. Nineteen were received on confession. The Sunday School has nearly doubled its membership. Special work for boys and girls is producing encouraging results.

Fourth Albany—Reports an increase in the fruitful branch of the Church, the Sunday School. Records good attendance upon all the Church services.

Holland, Albany—Expresses thanks to God for the blessings of the past year, for manifest interest in the preaching of the word, in the prayer meeting, and in the instructions of the young.

First Bethlehem—Reports various departments of the Church in a prosperous condition. Good attendance upon the Sabbath services.

Second Bethlehem—A hopeful feature of the work here is the interest taken in Church work and in the Sunday School by the young people. The weekly prayer meeting has been carried on by the young people. Sabbath services have been well attended, and fourteen have been received on confession.

Second Berne—Has enjoyed a healthy spiritual growth. A large Christian Endeavor society has been organized, which has proved very helpful. The envelope system for contributions is about to be introduced.

Knox—Has enjoyed a spiritual awakening during the winter due to extra gospel services. Twenty-two were received on confession of faith. The envelope system for contributions is to be introduced.

Clarksville—The Church is without a pastor and sends no report.

Coeymans—Sends no report.

Jerusalem—Records the ordinary degree of interest during the past year. The condition of the Sunday School is encouraging. The Christian Endeavor has been re-organized, and is more faithful to duty.

New Salem—This Church is now vacant, but hopes for a pastor soon.

Onesquethaw—Sends no report.

New Baltimore—Reports an uneventful year. The usual interest has attended the use of all the means of Grace.

Union—The finances of the Church are in a better condition than last year. The Sunday School is well attended.

Wes'erlow—Gives no report.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

The year has been one of quiet, aggressive work in all the Churches.

First Coxsackie and Kiskatom report good additions to their membership. Two more Sunday Schools are noted. The offering for denominational objects, and the total benevolent contributions fall short of those of the past two years. The largest decrease this year is in one Church, the others giving about the average. There is a net gain of 18 members.

First Athens—Reports a year of delightful harmony, well sustained and fruitful services, an unusual interest in the Sunday School. All indebtedness has been removed by a legacy.

Second Athens—Laments the loss of three active workers, makes special mention of the activity of the Sunday School, and notes improvement in church property.

First Catskill—No report accompanies its statistical table. A new pastor was recently installed.

First Coxsackie—A year of harmonious work has blessed the Church notwithstanding the pastor's illness. A deepening of the spiritual life, an increase of christian work is noted. With excellent attendance upon the services of the sanctuary. Sixteen were received on confession of faith.

Second Coxsackie—Notes the usual activity of all departments of the Church, and bears testimony to the growth in grace of the many who were received in the Church a year ago.

Kiskatom—Rejoices in a year of blessing. The week of prayer was attended by the Spirit's power, resulting in an addition of ten on confession. One of the two Sunday Schools is superintended by a young lady.

Leeds—Reports a quickening of God's people following special evangelistic services. A young lady superintends one of its two Sunday Schools.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

The Churches in general report a healthy spiritual growth. Four of the Churches, Fonda, Fort Plain, Owasco and St. Johnsville show encouraging gains in membership received on confession ; and two, Trinity Amsterdam, and First Syracuse, on certificate. On account of the revision of rolls, there are reported this year 324 less members, though there is a net gain of 75. It thus appears that 299 of the membership of this Classis have become lost, strayed or stolen. In offerings for denominational objects and in total benevolent contributions there is a falling behind the offerings of the past two years. Notice is called in the report of this Classis to the proportion of benevolent contributions to Church expenses, which ranges from 30 % to below 10 %, or an average of 11 % for all the Churches.

Amsterdam, First—Reports a year of faithful activity among its members. Five hundred dollars was raised for a debt and for repairs.

Amsterdam, Trinity—Records a year of profitable labor under much difficulty. A cheerful bearing of financial burdens with sacrifice and effort. Thirteen were received on certificate and six on confession.

Auriesville—No report.

Canajoharie—Is vacant and sends no report. Seven were received on confession and seven on certificate.

Cicero—Is vacant and sends no report.

Columbia—No report.

Cranesville—Is regularly supplied. Signs of reviving interest and loyalty are apparent.

Currytown—Celebrated its centennial year by organizing a Junior Christian Endeavor society, a circle of King's Daughters, and a Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip.

Ephratah and Stone Arabia—After a long vacancy, again have a pastor.

Fonda—The Church, with its three Sunday Schools, two Christian Endeavor societies and four neighborhood prayer meeting services, has enjoyed a fair degree of interest and prosperity. Twenty-one were added on confession.

Fort Herkimer—Records repairs upon Church property.

Fort Plain—Records a year of growth following the harvest of last year. Twenty-two were added on confession. It reports a Sunday School of 407, the largest in the Classis.

Fultonville—Reports marked progress in all lines. Has made extensive improvements on Church property. Gives $3.17 per member to Church benevolence and $4.17 for total benevolence.

Glen—Feels the loss of its former pastor, but expects a new pastor soon. All the Church agencies are in an active condition.

Hagaman—Reports a year of ordinary prosperity.

Herkimer—Notes especially the hopeful feature of the work among the young people. A year of quiet, but good work.

Johnstown—Has felt very much the financial depression of the times which has caused many removals from the place. The work among the young people has prospered.

Manheim—Shows evidence of new interest, and is eager for a pastor.

Mapletown—Sends no report of its condition.

Mohawk—Has enjoyed a year of quiet prosperity. A Young Woman's Missionary Society was formed.

Naumburgh and New Bremen—Send no report. The latter church is reported on the statistical table as extinct.

Owasco—No report.

Owasco Outlet—Has carried along the ordinary work with good results.

Point Rock—No report.

St. Johnsville—Records the spiritual work and finances as well sustained Fifteen were received on confession and seven on certificate. A debt has been paid and repairs made.

Sprakers—Has enjoyed a year of ordinary prosperity.

First Syracuse—Reports the regular services well sustained. Received seven on confession and eleven on certificate. Shows great liberality in its offerings for benevolence.

Second Syracuse—Reports a year of spiritual growth. A valuable church lot has been acquired.

Thousand Islands—Vacant until January 1st. Has been blessed with a revival season, and hopes for additions.

Utica—Records the improvement of its spiritual condition, and is full of encouraging tokens.

West Leyden—Has enjoyed harmony and blessing in its work.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Only a gederal report of this Classis is furnisned; no epitomized statements of the condition of its several churches accompany it. From the report we glean the following: "There is not a Church but what has made marked progress in some department of christian work. Weakness appears only to be supplemented somewhere by strength. No signs of indifference are anywhere in sight. The missionary spirit among the pastors is conspicuous. The religious quickening which awakened the spiritual energies of several churches two years ago, bringing new life to many, has not been repeated on so encouraging a scale. Only two churches have experienced any special ingathering. One, that of East Greenbush, in calling an evangelist, has rejoiced in a fruitful ingathering, another, Chatham, while co-operating with the new pastor-elect has felt a new uplift in the spiritual life."

Turning to the statistical tables we fine a net gain of 35 members, although on account of roll revisions which, in one Church, causes a dropping from the roll of 66 names, reduces the total number in communion by 42 members. A small increase is noticed in the Sunday School enrollment. Contributions for denominational purposes are less than last year, but more than for 1895. Six churches, Bath, First and Second Ghent, Greenbush, Nassau and Schodack, report an increase in their gifts over last year, and two Churches, Chatham and New Concord as coming up to them. The sum total for benevolence is less than for the past two years. Contributions for congregational purposes show a decrease.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

The report from this Classis echoes the cheerful and hopeful tone pervading all its Churches. The Classis has lost one Church and gained one. The net gain in membership during the year is 78, though there is an

apparent loss of 24. In offerings for denominational objects there is a decrease from the offerings of last year, and an increase over 1895. In the total benevolence there is a decrease from last year, while the amount is nearly the same as 1895. Contributions for congregational purposes have decreased.

Abbe—Calls attention to the faithful attendance upon the means of Grace, an interest on the part of the young people, resulting in the addition of ten on confession of faith.

Arcadia—Rejoices in a better attendance upon its Sabbath services than ever before. Nine have been received on confession of faith and fifteen on certificates. A Ladies' Missionary circle has been formed. The Christian Endeavor has rendered financial assistance.

Brighton—Is vacant, but is growing steadily and surely. It rejoices in the good results of the pastorate so recently closed.

First Cleveland—Finds cause for gratitude to God for the manifold blessings of the year. All departments are prosperous. All financial obligations have been met.

Clymer Hill—Reports a revival of religion following the week of prayer resulting in the addition of ten on confession, and the quickening of God's people.

East Williamson—Reports a prosperous condition all along the line. Thirteen were received on confession. Special attention is called to the valuable aid rendered by the Society of Christian Endeavor. Last January the Church celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, and claims to be the oldest Holland speaking Church in the United States.

Farmer—Reports a year of heavy financial burdens successfully borne. Services have been well attended, and God's blessing has been bestowed.

Lodi—The services have been well sustained.

Marion—Is grateful for the experience of God's love and care during the year. The discouragement caused by the removal of its pastor to another charge has been removed by the coming of another pastor. The Christian Endeavor meetings are increasing in interest. Seven were received on confession and four on certificate.

New York Mills—This new congregation is increasing in membership, and is hoping soon to be able to call a minister.

Ontario—This is a new organization, not a year old. Reports ten received on confession, and twelve on certificate.

Palmyra—Laments heavy losses in membership caused by removals, deaths and suspensions, of which latter there were six. Yet they rejoice in God's goodness, and in the larger attendance upon Church services, and in the activity of the various departments of the Church. Seven were received on confession.

Pultneyville—Church attendance has never been better. Much interest was manifested during the week of prayer. A monthly missionary meeting has been organized.

First Rochester—Has enjoyed the ordinary blessings of the gospel. Deplores the disposition on the part of the people to attend only one Sabbath service. Owing to the cessation of emigration and the turning of young people to the English speaking churches it cannot increase much in membership. Ten were received on confession.

SecondRochester—Reports a very prosperous year. The audience room has been carpeted, and the mortgage on the Church nearly canceled. A Young Ladies' Missionary Society has been organized. Eleven were received on confession and fourteen on certificate.

Tyre—Church services have been remarkably well attended. The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor society are in a prosperous condition.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

This Classis records a healthy and promising condition. There has not been any marked work of Grace during the year. Cohoes and Saratoga are the only Churches reporting large additions in membership. In contributions for denominational objects and for benevolent purposes there is an increase over the past two years. For congregational purposes an increase over last year. The net gain in membership is 35 though there is an apparent gain of 120. This would seem to indicate a replacing on the rolls of the Churches 85 names dropped last year. A very large restoration is noticed in one Church.

Boght—Records a prosperous year. The various agencies of the Church have been doing good work. The Christian Endeavor has maintained a Sabbath evening prayer meeting.

Buskirks—Sends no report other than statistics. From these it is seen that the year has been fairly prosperous.

Cohoes—Has enjoyed a year of blessing. Twenty-one have been added to the membership on confession. There is a marked interest in spiritual things.

Easton—Has improved its property, and is hoping soon to build a parsonage.

Fort Miller—Has made a large addition to its Church edifice.

Gansevoort—The report of this Church covers but half a year. Last July it settled a pastor, and new life and interest was manifested in every department of the Church. An evening service, the first in many years, was begun with increasing attendance. These

bright days and brighter prospects were clouded, however, by the resignation of the pastor on account of failing health.

Greenwich—Is blessed with most excellent attendance upon the Church services. It rejoices in a spirit of complete harmony.

North Umberland—Has had the unusual experience of losing and choosing two pastors during the year.

Saratoga—Records an unusually prosperous year in all departments. It has paid off an old debt, made extensive repairs, increased its income, largely increasd its Sunday School. Special mention is made of the work of the Ladies' Missionary Society. Twelve were added to the membership on confession.

Schaghticoke—Reports an extensive revival in its bounds resulting in the conversion of twenty-three persons, twenty of whom expect to unite with the Church at the next communion season.

West Troy, North—Records a better financial condition than ever before. For the first time in many years it is free from debt. The Christian Endeavor and Sunday School are in a flourishing condition. The spiritual interest is normal.

West Troy, South—Is vacant. The report records that it seems to be holding its own.

Wynantskill—Has sent no report for the past two years.

Classis of Schenectady.

Reports that there has been an appreciable advance in matters that are vital to the Kingdom of the Lord. This is one of the three Classes reporting large accessions on confession. It reports the largest number of accessions on certificate, the largest total addition in membership. There has been a net gain of 138, the largest in the Synod. Three Churches, Helderberg, Princeton and First Rotterdam, especially, have been

blessed with large additions on confession of faith. There is only a slight decrease from the past two years in contributions for denominational objects, a larger decrease in the total benevolent offerings. There is a decrease in congregational contributions. The Sunday Schools, the Christian Endeavor Societies and Ladies' Missionary Societies are doing excellent work.

Altamont—This Church was recently organized, and reports twenty-three additions on certificate.

Amity—Sends no report.

Bellevue—Reports that although there has been no great increase in membership, yet those who are members are more zealous and spiritually minded.

First Glenville—Sends no report.

Second Glenville—Records an encouraging year. Has a large "Home Department" connected with the Sunday School. Seven were received on confession and six on certificate.

Helderberg—Is encouraged in the largest addition to its membership for the past 18 years, the result of union evangelistic services. Twenty-seven were received on confession, and ten on certificate. A prayer meeting is now maintained.

Lisha's Kill—Is grateful for attendance at the Church services.

Mont Pleasant—Reports no gaowth owing to the long and serious illness of its pastor.

Niskayuna—Is grateful for a year fairly fruitful. Seven have been received on confession. It maintains its high rank in contributions for denominational objects.

Princetown—Has been blessed with an addition of twenty-two on confession and seven on certificate. All departments of the Church are in a flourishing condition.

First Rotterdam—Is thankful for an outpouring of the Spirit during special evangelistic services, resulting in the addition of thirty on confession of faith, eight on certificate.

Second Rotterdam—Reports a season of revival. Seven were added on confession and three on certificate. Mention is made of the good condition of the Sunday School and society of Christian Endeavor.

First Schenectady—Reports a healthful condition of the Church. A gain of nine on confession, and twenty-nine on certificate. It records the thorough renovation and improvement of the Church building at at outlay of over $5,000.

Second Schenectady—Records a year of steady growth. Twelve members were received on confession as a result of evangelistic services, and twenty-three more just after the year had closed. Twenty-five were received on certificate. Steps are being taken to enlarge the Church edifice.

Classis of Schoharie.

Records a year full of encouragement. Some of the weaker Churches have been strengthened, while the stronger ones have gone on from strength to strength. With the exception of the Church at Berne, there has been no large increase in membership. There is a net gain in membership of 31. In denominational offerings and in total benevolence there is a gain over last year, though a falling below the offering of 1895. There is a slight decrease in contributions for congregational purposes.

Beaverdam—A quiet, good work has been done within the past year. Benevolent offerings have increased.

Berne—Bears testimony to the rich blessing of God during the year. Seventeen have been added on confession, and seven on certificate. All the departments

of the Church are prospering. The benevolent offerings are about the same as last year.

Breakabeen—Reports a year of blessing. Calls special attention to the flourishing condition of the Sunday School and society of Christian Endeavor. Contributions for benevolent purposes show a slight increase over last year, but a falling off from the year before.

Central Bridge—Records with gratitude the presence of the Holy Spirit in its midst, causing a prosperous year. A parsonage is in process of erection. Benevolent contributions show an increase over the past two years.

Cobleskill—Records a good attendance upon Church services, and a growth in the Sunday School. It gratefully acknowledges a legacy of $500. Contributions show a decrease from the last two years.

Eminence—Records a hungering for the preached word.

Gallupville—Is vacant and sends no report.

Gilboa—Records a year of labor with but little apparent result. The Sunday School is doing good work. It shows a large increase in benevolent offerings.

Howe's Cave—Records a year of blessing and growth in number of families and membership, though the statistical table does not manifest the increase. Contributions show a decrease.

Lawyersville—Is much encouraged with the work of the year. The week of prayer was a time of refreshing. The Sunday School was maintained for the first time in many years during the winter. Contributions show a large increase over the past two years.

Middleburg—Records an uneventful year. A deepened interest in all Church work is manifested.

Benevolent contributions show a good increase over the past two years.

Moresville—Is vacant. Records seven additions on certificates. No benevolent contributions.

North Blenheim—Records a year of some prosperity. Calls attention to the good work of the Ladies' Missionary Society. Benevolent contributions show a good increase over last year, being about the same as in 1895.

Prattsville—Is vacant. Has raised more than during former years for Church support.

Schoharie—Notes an increase of interest on the part of the people in Bible truth. Benevolent contributions are below the offerings of the past two years.

Sharon—Will soon settle a new pastor and is looking hopefully forward.

South Gilboa — Records well-sustained services. Reports a small contribution for benevolence as against nothing for the past two years.

Classis of Ulster.

Records the year as one of sowing rather than reaping. Faithful work has been done in all the Churches. Four Churches, the Church of the Comforter, Kingston, Port Ewen and Woodstock show large gains in membership. The net gain in membership is 42. The contributions for denominational objects are below those of the past two years, and above in the total benevolence, as a very large increase for other objects is noted. There is an increase in contributions for congregational purposes.

Blue Mountain—Records an improvement of Church property.

Church of the Comforter—Every department is in good working order. The Church has been blessed with a goodly ingathering of souls. Seventeen were received on confession and three on certificate.

Esopus—Records no special religious interest. The Sunday School Christian Endeavor Society, and Missionary Society are doing good work.

Flatbush—Records a more prosperous financial condition than for many years past.

Jay Gould Memorial—Reports activity all along the line of regular Church work.

Katsbaan—Has enjoyed its usual healthful and progressive Church life. Benevolent contributions are well sustained.

Kingston—The year has been one of steady and uneventful prosperity. It records an addition to its membership of ten on confession and seven on certificate.

Port Ewen—Praises God for the special ingathering largely from the Sunday School. Twenty-eight were received on confession.

Plattekill—Records a good spiritual condition. Mourns the loss by death of fifteen of its members.

Saugerties—Records an unevenful year. It has enjoyed its usual healthy life.

Shandaken—Reports a normal condition.

Shokan—Records an uneventful year and prays for the outpouring of God's Spirit.

Stewartville and West Hurley—Send no report.

Woodstock—Records excellent improvements on Church property, and rejoices in an accession to its membership of thirteen on confession and six on certificate.

In concluding this report your Committee feel constrained to call upon all the Churches, while recognizing the good hand of the Lord upon them during the past year, to implore a richer baptism of the Holy Spirit during the year to come.

Let us, forgetting the things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, press onward.

PHILIP T. PHELPS,
Chairman.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Po
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	390	59	24	15	..	15	700	6	14	....	....	1	360	1,999 10	$1,394 11	$9,404 11	Alb
Madison Avenue	Edward G. Seiden	314	8	4	9	..	5	507	10	4	....	....	2	567	8,422 39	2,194 67	10,106 17	Alb
Third Albany	W. N. P. Dailey	100	19	....	....	..	2	162	8	1	....	....	1	430	65 00	35 00	2,400 00	Alb
Fourth Albany	Henry Miller	91	8	....	....	..	5	125	10	....	10	45	1	145	72 00	18 00	1,758 71	Alb
Holland Albany	J. Van Westenberg	73	3	2	2	..	6	142	1	....	....	32	1	150	155 50	68 66	1,096 42	Alb
First Bethlehem	Wm. H. Nasholds	170	4	1	1	..	2	226	3	1	....	....	5	400	175 36	5 00	1,322 21	Bec
Second Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, S. C.	100	14	2	2	..	6	226	8	5	....	50	1	150	160 00	40 00	1,175 00	Del
Second Berne	Henry Lockwood	66	7	3	....	..	1	100	....	4	....	60	1	129	5 80	.....	425 83	Kn
Knox	Henry Lockwood	65	22	3	1	..	....	89	2	14	....	20	1	40	16 80	.....	628 83	Kn
Clarksville	Vacant	39	1	3	....	..	1	108	....	....	....	7	1	140	22 00	15 00	334 00	Nev
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	109	2	2	1	..	1	179	10	....	....	....	1	90	168 76	.....	1,517 45	Coe
Jerusalem	Theo. A. Beekman	86	....	1	3	..	4	135	1	....	42	15	1	100	95 00	21 00	871 27	Jer
New Salem	Vacant	80	....	1	2	..	2	154	2	....	....	....	1	130	26 41	.....	804 23	Nev
Onesquethaw	Vacant	30	3	3	1	..	2	40	....	....	....	....	1	50	.....	.....	116 22	Cla
New Baltimore	A. M. Arcularius	92	1	....	1	..	2	175	1	1	....	....	1	86	245 80	25 11	1,484 41	Nev
Union	Theo. A. Beekman	35	....	....	....	..	....	30	....	....	....	5	1	46	5 00	.....	291 00	Jer
Westerlo	Vacant	30	5	2	....	..	6	74	....	4	....	....	1	67	21 00	.....	621 28	We
Total		1870	156	51	38	..	60	3172	62	48	52	234	22	3079	$11,655 92	$3,816 55	$34,537 14	

Other Ministers—A. Dickson, Lansingburgh, N. Y.; J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore, N. Y.; C. P. Evans, Albany, N. Y.; J. H. Enders, Synodical P. S. A., Fort Hunter, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Athens	Wm. Wyckoff Schomp	120	5	2	1	..	2	107	9	2	54	187	2	187	$431 00	$30 00	$1,947 00	Athens, N. Y.
Second Athens	C. M. Perlee, S. S.	19	....	....	1	..	....	24	....	....	10	44	....	44	9 00	.....	226 00	Leeds. N. Y.
First Catskill	W. H. S. Demarest	176	1	1	8	..	2	488	6	....	282	300	1	300	706 00	14 00	2,733 00	Catskill, N. Y.
First Coxsackie	Walter Winant	110	16	3	8	..	1	270	....	13	39	90	†3	217	198 00	7 00	1,477 00	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	145	3	....	2	..	1	313	8	....	18	....	*2	230	926 90	66 00	2,532 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Wm. Davis Ward	70	10	6	1	..	2	182	5	8	75	....	2	86	193 00	10 00	960 00	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	70	2	4	....	..	2	136	4	2	34	60	†3	140	117 00	28 00	962 00	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		710	37	16	21	1	13	1580	32	25	512	450	14	1204	$2,580 00	$155 00	$10,337 00	

Other Ministers—Rev. Andrew Parsons, Catskill, N. Y.

*One Union School.

†Two Union Schools.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	J. H. Van Doren, S. S.	45	8	....	....	..	....	57	3	4	15	20	1	160	102 00	.....	483 00	Bath-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Blooming Grove	Louis Hisbee	66	6	....	4	..	1	125	8	1	....	....	1	88	133 00	.....	869 00	Defreestville, N. Y.
Castleton, Emmanuel	Eugene E. Thomas	138	7	1	2	..	4	202	3	5	40	....	2	260	81 00	.....	2,119 00	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Mark A. Denman, P. E.	105	10	3	2	..	5	205	....	10	....	....	1	161	373 00	.....	2,400 00	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	Philip T. Phelps	75	5	1	5	..	....	147	4	2	....	....	2	137	245 00	22 00	1,013 00	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	C. V. W. Bedford, P. E.	57	5	1	1	..	1	*115	2	....	....	....	1	130	83 00	.....	868 00	Stockport, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	120	17	4	3	..	5	226	5	4	....	....	1	153	201 00	15 00	1,636 00	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier, S. C.	145	8	3	2	1	7	202	1	6	....	60	1	178	1,227 00	184 00	2,270 00	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	130	3	2	1	..	4	210	2	1	....	....	1	150	196 00	21 00	1,335 00	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Supplied	28	....	1	1	..	....	53	....	....	....	....	1	30	10 00	.....	342 00	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	Edgar I. McCully, P. E.	80	....	....	5	..	1	146	3	....	....	....	1	130	163 00	.....	1,217 00	Multzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Josiah E. Crane	90	3	....	....	..	2	139	6	1	....	85	1	95	129 00	.....	1,104 00	Schodack Landing, N. Y.
Stuyvesant	Geo. W. Furbeck	63	1	1	....	..	1	111	4	1	....	....	1	80	224 00	15 00	855 00	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	A. W. Hopper	70	6	....	3	..	1	92	4	4	35	60	1	70	43 00	7 00	887 00	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
	Total	1212	79	17	29	1	32	2121	45	39	90	225	16	1,822	$3,210 00	$264 00	$17,448 00	

Other Ministers—Elbert Nevius, Stuyvesant, N. Y.; John B. Drury, Editor *Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J.; Isaac S. Schenck, New Brunswick, N. J. John F. Shaw, Ithaca, N. Y. *Revised List.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe	Henry Hospers, Jr.	96	10	2	....	..	1	218	9	2	....	80	1	150	$154 80	.....	$ 800 00	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	G. Dangremond	66	9	15	1	..	....	160	21	....	125	....	1	75	28 84	$ 5 00	475 00	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	Vacant	73	5	....	....	..	1	140	15	....	150	6.	1	195	160 00	12 00	1,300 00	Brighton, N. Y.
Cleveland	S. M. Hogenboom	47	....	....	2	..	1	87	3	....	104	45	1	90	169 49	110 00	874 15	25LindenSt.Cleveland,O
Clymer Hill	P. G. M. Bahler	71	10	....	4	..	4	*159	....	3	....	24	1	97	155 83	38 59	723 16	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	Martin Ossewaarde	114	13	....	8	..	4	272	8	....	161	....	1	155	191 08	125 63	974 96	East Williamson, N. Y.
Farmer	E. B. VanArsdale	153	22	1	4	..	5	*2 0	1	1	....	....	1	168	214 23	142 23	1,249 89	Farmer, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	22	2	1	..	3	189	3	....	....	160	1	160	159 42	15 00	1,350 00	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	A. H. Strabbing	140	7	4	....	..	2	320	13	....	325	60	1	160	135 92	22 35	1,064 60	Marion, N. Y.
New York Mills	Vacant	14	3	3	....	..	....	38	8	2	36	....	1	38	15 00	4 00	317 06	New York Mills, N.Y.
Ontario	Vacant	13	10	12	....	..	....	22	9	....	24	....	1	30	.....	.....	71 70	Ontario, N. Y.
Palmyra	W. Lubach	67	7	1	4	6	4	154	11	....	130	50	1	90	86 45	.....	600 15	Palmyra, N. Y
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	60	....	2	4	..	3	150	5	....	....	....	1	115	99 52	15 00	762 00	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	165	10	....	4	..	4	298	13	....	....	50	1	180	380 01	121 03	2,097 48	Rochester, N. Y.
Second Rochester	C. M. Steffens	*93	11	14	6	..	1	*277	17	3	....	50	1	332	282 69	122 92	2,750 81	146N.UnionSt.Rochester
Tyre	S. Rederus	25	....	1	1	..	....	50	....	....	....	17	1	55	67 90	8 00	67 63	Magee, N. Y.
	Total	1297	99	57	39	6	33	2764	136	11	1058	599	16	2090	$2,301 18	$741 75	$15,678 59	

Other Ministers—John Boehrer, 49 Barthell St., Buffalo, N. Y.

*Revised List.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	41	4	2	....	..	3	93	1	....	....	....	1	103	$ 44 64	.....	$736 85	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Robert J. Hogan	47	6	....	....	1	1	78	3	3	4	7	1	75	175 00	$40 00	444 75	Buskirks, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser, S. C.	269	21	2	2	..	1	497	....	3	....	....	1	320	433 00	435 00	4,348 09	Cohoes, N. Y.
Easton	Ulysses S. Schaul	40	4	2	2	2	1	33	6	4	....	20	1	35	4 00	125 00	350 00	North Easton, N. Y.
Fort Miller	G. A. Luckenbill, S. S.	69	1	....	....	1	2	129	....	....	....	....	1	84	20 00	17 00	*1,252 21	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Vacant	48	3	1	1	..	2	96	....	3	6	....	1	61	31 00	.....	380 73	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Greenwich	Frank C. Scoville	105	3	6	3	..	4	246	6	2	....	....	1	125	262 00	12 00	1,850 00	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	G. A. Luckenbill, S. S.	75	....	....	....	..	....	104	2	....	24	....	1	70	57 00	43 00	700 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John H. Brandow	93	12	2	4	..	4	200	....	7	....	....	1	163	419 00	125 00	2,227 07	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Scharticoke	George E. Macardel	44	....	....	2	..	2	67	....	....	....	....	1	72	10 00	13 00	863 00	Reynolds, N. Y.
West Troy, North	C. B. F. Pease	170	3	7	3	..	2	264	3	....	....	....	1	208	369 00	101 00	3,272 55	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Vacant	30	....	....	1	..	....	32	....	....	....	....	....	....	63 00	.....	31 00	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	E. C. Olney, S. S.	55	2	1	2	..	1	93	2	1	25	....	1	97	130 00	.....	1,069 00	Wynantskill, N. Y.
	Total	1086	59	23	20	4	23	1932	23	23	59	27	12	1413	$ 2,217 64	$911 00	$17,525 25	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Schuylerville, N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.; Rev. George I. Taylor, 199 N. Third St., Newark, N. J.; Rev. John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.

*$924.00 was applied to building addition to church.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.				POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.		
Altamont	Orville T. Fletcher	65	....	20	2	..	1	112	2	....	24	60	1	95	$32 00	$ 3 00	$890 00		Altamont, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	54	1	....	....	..	....	153	....	1	....	180	1	180	53 00	24 00	879 00		Visscher's Ferry, N. Y.
Bellevue	J. B. Thyne, S. S.	55	3	1	....	..	....	34	1	1	....	....	1	178	17 00	75 00	350 00		Johnstown, N. Y.
Glenville, First	Joseph McIntyre	90	....	....	2	..	7	261	2	....	....	....	1	76	50 00	.....	937 00		Glenville, N. Y.
Glenville, Second	M. R. Gordon	80	7	6	3	..	....	178	2	4	....	80	4	320	124 00	38 00	4,676 00		Scotia, N. Y.
Helderberg	Geo. G. Seibert	109	27	10	*21	..	6	†279	3	12	60	103	1	119	6 00	3 00	‡1,913 00		Guilderland Centre, N.Y.
Lisha's Kill	C. A. Conant	50	3	9	2	..	....	147	4	....	....	....	2	100	69 00	.....	887 00		Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant	L. Vanderveer, S. S.	41	....	....	4	..	1	57	1	....	....	64	1	143	7 00	2 00	642 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars, S. C.	135	7	5	2	..	3	280	9	4	129	140	2	300	514 00	34 00	1,300 00		Niskayuna, N. Y.
Princetown	Supplied	115	22	7	9	..	3	295	16	5	....	100	1	200	176 00	18 00	1,468 00		Gifford, N. Y.
Rotterdam, First	Alexander Hill	180	30	8	5	..	2	198	2	4	....	....	4	300	75 00	25 00	1,200 00		Pattersonville, N. Y.
Rotterdam, Second	John C. Knox	58	7	3	9	..	1	111	....	2	....	....	1	105	49 00	.....	1,274 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, First	Albert C. Sewall	300	9	29	9	..	7	562	8	....	....	....	3	638	1,053 00	115 00	§10,192 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, Second	Philip H. Cole	235	12	25	9	..	5	375	9	6	....	....	1	300	352 00	116 00	5,000 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
	Total	1567	128	123	77	..	36	3042	59	39	213	727	24	3,054	$2,596 00	$453 00	$28,608 00		

Other Ministers—Rev. D. B. Hall, Duanesburgh, N. Y.; Rev. B. B. Staats, Somerville, N. J.; Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y. *14 to new Church at Altamont

†Revised Roll. §$4,468 for Church repairs and improvements. ‡807 paid on Church debt.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Classes.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Stated Clerks.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	17	15	....	1870	156	51	38	..	60	3172	62	48	52	234	22	3079	$ 11,655 00	$3,816 00	$34,357 00	J. Lansing Pearse.
Greene	7	7	....	710	37	16	21	1	13	1580	32	25	512	450	14	1204	2,580 00	155 00	10,237 00	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	33	31	....	2479	163	79	89	7	71	4081	122	62	110	1277	39	4268	4,843 00	1,686 00	41,667 00	Wm. Schmitz.
Rensselaer	14	15	....	1212	79	17	29	..	32	2121	45	39	90	225	16	1822	3,210 00	264 00	17,448 00	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	16	14	....	1297	99	57	39	6	33	2764	136	11	1058	599	16	2090	2,301 00	741 00	15,678 00	Martin Ossewaarde.
Saratoga	13	13	....	1086	59	23	20	4	23	1932	23	23	59	27	12	1413	2,217 00	911 00	17,525 00	Oliver H. Walser.
Schenectady	14	16	....	1567	128	123	77	..	36	3042	59	39	213	727	24	3054	2,596 00	453 00	28,608 00	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	12	....	830	53	31	23	..	30	1222	13	22	33	149	18	1166	623 00	281 00	8,693 00	D. K. Van Doren.
Ulster	15	16	....	1521	95	33	26	..	60	2634	70	41	312	167	19	2341	2,416 00	1,800 00	21,628 00	B. C. Lippincott.
Total	146	139	....	12572	869	430	362	18	358	22548	562	310	2439	3855	180	20437	$ 32,441 00	$10,107 00	$195,841 00	

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	Supplied	110	1	....	2	..	5	194	11	....	....	....	2	120	.....	$ 2 50	$ 835 01	Fawns, N. Y.
Ch. of the Comforter	J. Edgar Winne	90	17	3	1	..	3	172	6	10	55	22	1	275	$ 189 94	10 33	851 47	Kingston, N. Y.
Esopus	S. T. Cole	56	4	2	4	..	2	142	7	2	....	....	2	209	64 45	.....	691 00	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard Dewitt	90	4	....	4	..	4	168	11	3	101	....	3	300	149 24	.....	1,128 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Jay Gould Memorial	N. H. Demarest	70	4	4	2	..	1	78	3	3	....	....	1	120	114 66	10 00	2,100 00	Roxbury, N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	100	2	4	....	..	4	178	5	....	....	....	1	.....	388 68	118 47	1,003 00	Katsbaan, N. Y.
Kingston	J. G. Van Slyke	270	10	7	1	..	7	500	10	5	....	....	1	300	879 00	1,105 00	5,500 00	Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen	B. C. Lippincott, S. C.	110	28	1	3	..	3	245	1	9	....	....	1	200	150 30	27 00	1,150 00	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Roe	159	2	....	4	..	15	234	7	....	156	....	2	298	67 87	74 95	1,535 35	Cockburn, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	200	3	3	3	..	4	305	2	2	....	....	1	160	319 51	441 85	3,042 42	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	George Niemeyer	38	4	1	....	..	2	60	....	1	....	65	1	65	26 00	.....	380 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	George Niemeyer	94	2	1	2	..	6	144	2	1	....	80	1	80	30 38	5 00	720 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	L. H. Bahler	12	1	....	....	..	1	20	....	1	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	L. H. Bahler	60	....	1	....	..	....	80	2	....	....	....	1	92	10 00	.....	666 00	West Hurley, N. Y.
Woodstock	Clearfield Park	62	13	6	....	..	3	114	3	4	....	....	1	122	26 71	5 00	1,926 26	Woodstock, N. Y.
	Total	1521	95	33	26	..	60	2634	70	41	312	167	19	2341	$ 2,416 74	$ 1,800 10	$21,628 51	

Other Ministers—Rev. Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; Rev. Calvin Case, Broadhead, N. Y.; Rev. W. A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; Rev. Rufus M. Stanbrough, Kingston, N. Y.

Classis of Montgomery.

Received.

Rev. Wm. H. Shelland from the Franchean Lutheran Synod of New York, April 21, 1896.

Rev. J. A. Rodger from the Presbytery of St. Lawrence, N. Y., Nov. 27, 1896.

Licentiate, I. J. Van Hee from the Classis of New Brunswick, N. J., Mar. 30, 1897.

Rev. C. L. Palmer from the Classis of Passaic, N. J., Mar. 30, 1897.

Ordained.

I. J. VanHee, Mar. 30, 1897.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Geo. Z. Collier and the church of Thousand Isles, May 4, 1896.

Between Rev. Wm, F. Barny and the churches of Naumburg and New Bremen, Nov. 27, 1896.

Between Rev. Jasper S. Hogan and the church of Glen, Nov. 27, 1896.

Between Rev. M. A. Denman and the church of Canajoharie, Mar. 30, 1897.

Dismissed.

Rev. Geo. Z. Collier to Classis of Michigan, May 4, 1896.

Rev. J. B. Thyne to Classis of Schenectady, June 1, 1896.

Licentiate A. H. Schlieder to the Classis of Kingston, June 1, 1896.

Rev. Wm. F. Barny to Classis of Dakota, Nov. 27, 1896.

Rev. J. S. Hogan to Classis of Passaic, Nov. 27,1896.

Rev. M. A. Denman to Classis of Rensselaer, Mar. 30, 1897.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Received.

Rev. Mark A. Denman from the Classis of Montgomery, Apr. 20, 1897.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Isaac S. Schenck and the Second church of Ghent, Oct. 6, 1896.

Between John F. Shaw and the church of Schodack, Jan. 4, 1897.

Dismissed.

Rev. Minor Swick to the Classis of Raritan, Mar. 12, 1897.

Died.

Rev. Theo. S. Brown, Jan. 14, 1897.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Received.

Rev. S. Rederus, from the Classis of Michigan, July 14, 1896.

Rev. A. H. Strabbing, from the Classis of Grand River, Feb. 9, 1897.

Installed.

Rev. S. Rederus, over the church of Tyre, N. Y., July 14, 1896.

Rev. A. H. Strabbing, over the church of Marion, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1897.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. P. Ihrman and the church of Marion, N. Y., Dec. 4, 1896.

Between Rev. J. Van Westenburg and the church of Brighton, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1896.

Dismissed.

Rev. Grant Van Blarcom to the Black River and St. Lawrence Association of the Congregational church, Oct. 5, 1896.

Rev. P. Ihrman to Classis of Grand River, Dec. 4, 1896.

Rev. J. Van Westenburg to Classis of Albany, Jan. 11, 1897.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Received.

Rev. E. C. Olney from the Central Association of Congregational Ministers of New York, Oct. 13, 1896.

Candidate C. W. Clowe from the Classis of Schenectady, Oct. 13, 1896.

Installed.

Rev. Clinton W. Clowe over the church of Gansevoort, Nov. 4, 1896.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Lyman E. Davis and the church of Northumberland, Dec. 1, 1896.

Between Clinton W. Clowe and the church of Gansevoort, May 1, 1897.

Dismissed.

Rev. N. J. Gulick to the Central Association of Congregational Ministers, April 28, 1896.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Received.

Rev. Joseph B. Thyne, from the Classis of Montgomery, Sept. 15, 1896.

Rev. Orville T. Fletcher, from the Presbytery of Jersey City, Oct. 30, 1896.

Rev. George G. Seibert from the Classis of Paramus, Dec. 7th, 1896.

Installed.

Rev. Orville T. Fletcher, over the church of Altamont, Nov. 17, 1896.

Rev. George G. Seibert, over the church of Helderberg, Dec. 29, 1896.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Bergen B. Staats and the church of Helderberg, May 26th, 1896.

Dismissed.

The Licentiate J. V. Wemple to the Presbytery of Albany, May 26, 1896.

The Licentiate Clinton W. Clowe to the Classis of Saratoga, May 26, 1896.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Received.

Rev. James Jongeneel, from the Classis of West Chester.

Installed.

Rev. James Jongeneel, over the churches of Central Bridge and Howes Cave, N. Y.

Died.

Philip Phelps, D.D.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Received.

Rev. L. H. Bahler, from the Presbytery of North River, May 11, 1896.

Installed.

Rev. L. H. Bahler, over the churches of West Hurley and Stewartville, June 3 1896.

Rev. S. T. Cole, over the church of Esopus, June 17, 1896.

Dismissed.

Rev. Wm. S. Baker, to the Classis of New York, April 6, 1897.

ARTICLE IX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The Rev. D. Sage McKay, D.D., as the representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, was heard on the evening of the first day. The Rev. Charles W. Fritts, D.D., as the representative of the Board of

Domestic Missions, was heard on the evening of the second day.

The Rev. D. K. Van Doren, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, was given fifteen minutes to present the needs of that Society to the Synod.

ARTICLE X.

Delegates to General Synod.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classes. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. W. N. P. Dailey,	Rev. J. Van Westenburg,
" Henry Miller,	" W. H. Nasholds,
" J. H. Enders,	" J. L. Pearse.
ELDERS :	ELDERS :
W. H. Yates,	J. G. VerBruggen,
Geo. J. Green,	Rensslaer Lasher,
J. V. D. H. Bradt,	John Maher.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. W. W. Schomp,	Rev. W. D. Ward,
" C. M. Perlee,	" F. S. Barnum,
" W. H. S. Demarest,	" Walter Winant.
ELDERS :	ELDERS :
H. Stranahan,	Frederick Sax,
Joseph McGiffert,	J. M. C. Verplanck,
W. Irving Jennings,	H. S. Howe.

Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. F. A. Force,	Rev. J. J. VanHee,
" C. W. Kinney,	" F. E. Schlieder,
" Chas. Maar,	" J. R. Kyle,
" J. A. DeBaun,	" H. D. B. Mulford,
" R. A. Pearse,	" P. S. Beekman,
" P. Crispell,	" E. J. Blekkink.

ELDERS :	ELDERS :
G. H. Peterson,	John Moyer,
Amos Hays,	Wm. Rose,
G. K. Beets,	J. J. Johnson,
Jacob Hees,	J. G. DeGraff,
Abram Van Horn,	R. M. Cass,
C. J. Hoff,	R. Dievendorf.

Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS :
Rev. J. H. VanDoren,	Rev. P. T. Phelps,
" L. Hieber,	" J. Laubenheimer,
" Eugene E. Thomas,	" Edward A. Collier,
ELDERS :	ELDERS :
George H. Quay,	W. W. Vosburgh,
Wm. J. Masten,	George H. Kittle,
J. W. Darrow,	John Moore.

Classis of Rochester.

MINISTERS :	MINISTERS :
Rev. S. A. Schilstra,	Rev. C. F. Porter,
" A. H. Strabbing,	" C. M. Steffins,
" M. VanDoorn,	" S. Rederus.
ELDERS :	ELDERS :
Geo. Hoff,	J. A. C. Verwey,
Warren Slaght,	J. DuBurck,
Isaac Mahieu,	A. Vanden Ameele.

Classis of Saratoga.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS :
Rev. U. S. Schaul,	Rev. O. H. Walser,
" E. C. Olney,	" J. G. Smart,
" C. B. F. Pease,	" J. H. Brandow.
ELDERS:	ELDERS :
H. McGaffin,	A. J. Best,
M. Van Everen,	Geo. Anthony,
D. Washburne,	John Marshall.

PRESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1867—1897.

1867.	Rev.	John L. McNair, 2d Albany.
1868.	"	Philip Peltz, D. D., Saugerties.
1869.	"	B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
1870.	"	John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North)
1871.	"	S. J. Rogers, Kinderhook.
1872.	"	R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873.	"	J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874.	"	Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875.	"	Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876.	"	J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy (South)
1877.	"	Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878.	"	J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879.	"	Edw. A. Collier, Chatham Village.
1880.	"	George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881.	"	John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
1882.	"	Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883.	"	Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884.	"	Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885.	"	Andrew J. Hagaman, Fort Plain.
1886.	"	James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
1887.	"	Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
1888.	"	John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889.	"	Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890.	"	Denis Wortman, D. D., 2d Schenectady.
91.	"	F. S. Barnum, 2d Coxsackie.
1892.	"	Philip Furbeck, Schoharie.
1893.	"	Philip Phelps, D. D., Canajoharie.
1894.	"	John G. VanSlyke, D. D., 1st Albany.
1895.	"	Bergen B. Staats, Saugerties.
1896.	"	Philip T. Phelps, 2d Rochester.
1897.	"	Philip H. Cole, Athens.

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular sessisn, May 3rd, 1898, at 3 o'clock P. M., in the Reformed Church of Cohoes, N. Y., and continued in session until 9:30 o'clock, Wednesday May 4th.

The Synod was called to order by the Rev. Philip H. Cole, the retiring President, and opened with prayer. He also preached the Synodical sermon, taking as his text, Matt. 20: 28.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were found present:

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. Robert I. MacBride,	James A. Wilson.
" Edward G. Selden.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest,	Thomas Bell,
" Eugene Hill,	H. S. Howe,
" W. N. P. Dailey,	
" F. S. Barnum.	

From the Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. J. A. Rodgers,	M. E. Spofferd,
" F. A. Force,	G. H. Peterson.
" J. A. Thomson,	
" Philip H. Cole.	

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. A. W. Hopper,	Wm. J. Masten,
" Philip T. Phelps,	John Moore.

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. M. Van Doorn.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. Geo. E. McCardel,	H. Sweet,
" P. A. Wessels,	J. H. Deyoe,
" O. H. Walser,	E. Whiteside.

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. C. A. Conant,	A. H. Cady,
" O. T. Fletcher,	J. Alvan Ostrom,
	Anthony Stalker.

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. D. K. Van Doren.

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. N. H. Demarest,	John Osterhoudt,
" S. W. Roe,	O. P. Moore.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Rev. D. K. Van Doren was chosen President; Rev. Eugene Hill Vice-President; Revs. F. A. Force and A. W. Hopper, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed:

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. Eugene Hill,	J. H. Deyoe,
" J. A. Rodger,	O. P. Moore.
" M. A. Denman.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest,	J. A. Wilson,
" M. Van Doorn,	J. A. Ostrom.
" C. A. Conant.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. Philip H. Cole,	Harry Sweet,
" P. A. Wessels,	John Osterhoudt.
" S. W. Roe.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. F. S. Barnum,	Thos. Bell,
" Robert I. MacBride,	John Osterhoudt.
" Philip T. Phelps.	

On Nominations.

Rev. W. N. P. Dailey,	G. H. Peterson,
" A. W. Hopper,	Harry Sweet.
" O. H. Walser.	

On the Treasury.

Rev. S. W. Roe,	M. E. Spofferd,
" F. A. Force,	J. H. Deyoe.
" A. W. Hopper.	

On Necrology.

Rev. John A. DeBaun.

On Religious Exercises.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. O. H. Walser,	A. H. Cady.
" W. H. S. Demarest.	

On Missions.

Rev. N. H. Demarest,	W. J. Masten,
" J. A. Thomson,	Anthony Stalker.
" Philip H. Cole.	

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. Geo. E. McCardel,	John Moore,
" O. T. Fletcher,	M. E. Spofferd.
" Philip T. Phelps.	

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's Accounts and vouchers were received, and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The delegates to General Synod nominated by the several Classes, were received, and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Annual report of the Rev. John H. Enders, the Synodical Missionary Superintendent, was received, and referred to the Committee on Missions.

Letters were read from the representatives of the Board of the Domestic and Foreign Missions, stating their inability to be present. Synod requested the Rev. E. G. Selden to speak for Domestic Missions, and the Rev. C. P. Ditmars for Foreign Missions.

A Communication from Rev. Dr. Wortman in regard to the appointment of a Synodical solicitor for the Disabled Ministers Fund, was read and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the Minutes of the General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of Chicago, New Brunswick and New York, were received and referred to the Committee on Synodical Minutes.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods:

Chicago, Rev. Philip H. Cole.

New Brunswick, Rev. F. S. Barnum.

New York, Rev. O. H. Walser.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted.

On Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology respectfully reports:

The Rev. Lauren Vanderveer, of the Classis of Schenectady, died at his home in that city, August 17th, 1897, after a very painful illness of a year and a half. Mr. Vanderveer was born in the town of Florida, N. Y., in 1856. In his early childhood his parents removed to the City of Schenectady, where he was educated until he graduated from Union College in 1878. The next year he entered the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, from which he graduated with the class of 1882. For a few months he supplied the pulpit of the Third Reformed Church of Albany, and in 1883 he was ordained pastor of the Second Reformed Church of Rotterdam, by the Classis of Schenectady. Here he prosecuted a successful Ministry until 1890, when he took charge of a Mission in the City of Schenectady, which under his care developed in the present Mont Pleasant Church. His labors here were earnest and arduous; and never

having been very robust, he went beyond his strength, and was obliged to give up his charge in 1896, from which time until the end he patiently laid under the discipline of untold suffering. Mr. Vanderveer was an earnest, active worker in the Master's vineyard, a kind and sympathetic friend to the poor and distressed, and always doing his best in pulpit and pastorate in Classis and Christian Association work, in temperance and Sunday School efforts, with a constant tender home care for his widowed mother and afflicted sister. He leaves behind him a host of friends, and a bright example of an earnest consecrated Christian life.

The Rev. Elbert Nevius, of the Classis of Rensselær, entered into rest at Stuyvesant, September 29th, 1897, in the 90th year of his age. Venerable and beloved he had long stood among the fathers, honored for his works and held in reverent affection for his personal amiability and worth. He was born at Six Mile Run, N. Y., but in his early childhood his parents removed to Ovid, in Western New York, where he was educated until prepared for College. He graduated from Rutgers in 1830, and one year later returned to the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, from which he graduated in 1834. He was licensed and ordained by the Classis of Cayuga, within whose bounds and under whose direction he did missionary work for two years at Lyons and Arcadia.

In 1836 our Reformed Church experienced a remarkable impulse to the work of Foreign Missions; and there went forth from our churches a band of nine young missionaries, among whom were Mr. Nevius and his bride of a year.

"It is difficult for us to-day to realize what that going forth meant. While individual missionaries were representing the Church, this band of missionaries was the first to go forth in any number from our own church! the laborers were few—the church was

not yet awakened to the importance of the work—those lands which were in the darkness of a heathen night were but little known, and to a great extent were closed to missionary effort—the journey thither was long and perilous, and many dangers and hardships convicted them there. Of these early missionaries it could be said as it had been said of Abraham of old, who was obedient to God's call, "They went out not knowing whither they went." They had expected to enter China, but the way being closed, they settled on the neighboring island of Borneo. Here they labored among the natives and the Chinese laborers. While on the island of Borneo Mr. Nevius explored territory and penetrated regions to which no white man had previously penetrated. His wife's health, however, was poor from the first of their arrival in the East, and they were finally compelled to return to this country on that account. Eight years elapsed from the time of their going out to their return. Two years were then spent in presenting the work of missions among the churches. In 1846 Mr. Nevius accepted a call to the Reformed Church of Stuyvesant. It was to this church that Mr. Nevius gave the best years of his life, remaining in active charge for forty years. His earnest labors were abundantly blessed, and during that period more than two hundred were added to the membership of the church. After serving the church of Stuyvesant Falls for three years as stated supply, where he became very much endeared to the people, he returned to Stuyvesant where he passed the remaining years among the people to whom he had ministered so long, and to whom he was bound by many strong and loving ties. Though Mr. Nevius' name is not known among the distinguished names of our church, yet he was truly great in that he was pre-eminently good. It was his goodness which characterized him above everything else. His was one of the most Christ-like of lives. The life which he lived was a life hid

with Christ in God. The character which he presented could well be pointed to as the perfect fruit of the christian faith. He was a man of quick sympathies and of strong affections. Friendly to every one, every one was a friend to him. His was a remarkable old age. It was only during the last year that he manifested any of the infirmities of age, and then only was there a gradual weakening of bodily vigor, while his mind remained clear and unimpaired to the last." This record is taken from the tribute to him, in the Intelligencer, by his successor at Stuyvesant, the Rev. George W. Furbeck.

The Rev. Guido Fridolin Verbeck, D. D., of the North Japan Mission, a member of the Classis of Montgomery, died at Tokeyo, Japan, March 9th, 1898, aged 68 years. He was born in Zeist, Province of Utrecht, Holland. His parents were Lutherans, but attended the Moravian Church. Of his early connection with the Moravians he was wont to speak with gratitude in later years, ascribing to it, as he wrote in 1890, " Whatever of true Missionary spirit I imbibed in youth and retained through life. I still hold in dear remembrance my early attendance at missionary meetings, and can vividly recall the deep impressions received in hearing missionary reports and addresses, among others especially those of Gutzlaff, the apostle of China." But, as in so many cases, the impressions of childhood and youth laid dormant, until the Lord's good time come for the blade, the ear, and the full corn. He chose to become a civil engineer, and was educated for that profession in the Polytechnic Institute at Utrecht.

Coming to this country in his early manhood, he followed his chosen profession until 1856. Then, being impressed by a call to preach the gospel, he entered the Theological Seminary at Auburn, where he graduated in 1859. Just at that time the Board of

Foreign Missions of our Reformed Church was considering the matter of establishing a mission in Japan, and the Rev. Dr. S. R. Brown had already volunteered his services. Mr. Verbeck being recommended as a suitable person to accompany him, the proposition was made to and accepted by him, and he was appointed in February 1859, one of the first party of missionaries to the newly opened Empire. Having been ordained by the Presbytery of Cayuga, he was transferred to the Classis of Cayuga, and sailed with Dr. and Mrs. Brown for Japan, May 7th, 1859.

When these first missionaries reached that country christianity was under legal ban, and both its propagation and confession were capital offenses. No open missionary work was therefore possible, and the missionaries gave themselves to the study of the language, and as soon as possible to literary and scientific instruction. They were welcomed as teachers, and gathered classes of young men of the higher and more influential orders. They thus rapidly gained the recognition and confidence of the government, and soon were in position to exert great influence in civil and educational affairs, and Dr. Verbeck especially became very efficient in giving shape to and supervising the government university, and the national system of education. He accompanied the first deputation of Japanese to the outside world, on their tour among the nations of Europe. In recognition of his services in this and other directions he received an honorary decoration from the Government which enabled him to appear at all public and court receptions.

In the meantime the laws against the christian religion first fell into disuse and were gradually more or less formally repealed, and the missionaries began open religious and evangelistic services, and gathered converts and established churches and christian schools. Dr. Verbeck from time to time taught in the University

and in the Theological school, and was much engaged in public addresses and lectures and evangelistic preaching, not only in our own mission, but for and with all the Prostestant organizations in Japan, who greatly valued his influence and aid, and who gave him unbounded confidence and honor. He took a very large and conspicuous part in the translation of the Scriptures for which both his scholarship and his taste greatly fitted him, and he will forever hold an honored place among those who gave the Holy Word to the Japanese in their own tongue. In many ways he was one of the makers of history in that old new land now taking its place among the nations, and will there be held in everlasting remembrance, as he well may be, here by the Church which commissioned him, and which he so greatly honored.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. DeBaun.

On the Treasury.

The Committee to whom was referred the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, would respectfully report, that they have examined the papers and find them correct. They would also recommend that the amount of $170 be assessed upon the Classes for the present year.

S. W. Roe,

Chairman.

The Treasurer's Report.

1897. Dr.			
Balance from last year		$ 84 30	
Cash from Classis of Rensselaer		17 00	
" " "	Saratoga	16 00	
" " "	Albany	28 00	
" " "	Schenectady	21 00	
" " "	Greene	14 00	
" " "	Montgomery	31 00	
" " "	Ulster	23 00	
" " "	Rochester	11 00	
" " "	Schoharie	10 00	
Total			$255 30
1898. Cr.			
Paid Sexton at Athens		$ 5 00	
Paid Salary of Stated Clerk		75 00	
Paid Schenectady Union Co., printing		87 00	
Total			167 00
May 1st. 1898, Balance to new account			$88 30

On Overtures.

Your Committee would respectfully report on the matter put in their hands as follows:

In view of the fact that the revenues of the Disabled Minister's Fund, ($63,223.13) are inadequate to meet the demands of our needy ministers, (see minutes of General Synod p. 680), and that these resources should be increased till they make an amount sufficient to meet the demands: It is

Resolved, That the matter of a special effort in behalf of the Fund, be placed in the hands of the following special committee for the current year: Rev. D. Wortman, D. D., W. H. S. Demarest, C. P. Ditmars, and Elders C. I. Collier and Dewitt Roosa.

Resolved, That the committee be requested to confer with the Board of Direction, and with their approval, appoint Rev. C. Van Santvoord, D. D., or some other minister, the agent of Synod for one year, to solicit contributions for this Fund from individuals within the bounds of this Particular Synod, or beyond it, if it be found expedient, it being understood that no expense

shall be incurred by this Synod for any services rendered, and that the matter of renumeration to the agent be left with the committee, acting with the approval of the Board of Direction, or of the General Synod, as the case may require.

F. S. BARNUM,
Chairman.

On Religious Exercises.

Your committee would respectfully report the following arrangement for the next Synod. On the evening of the second day the Rev. Mark A. Denman to deliver an address with the Rev. Robert I. Mac Bride as secundus, the speaker to choose his subject.

OLIVER H. WALSER,
Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee on Classical Minutes would report that they have examined the books of all the Classes. All records and proceedings are apparently in regular form with one item excepted, the Classis of Rochester records a meeting of June 8th, 1897, and the transaction of business with but two Elders present.

W. H. S. DEMAREST,
Chairman.

On Missions.

The Committee on Missions would respectfully report that a communication from our Synodical Missionary the Rev. J. H. Enders has been referred to it also a letter from the Cor. Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The Missionary Superintendent reports encourging results of his work in various places and especially in Albany, where a new church has been organized and a pastor secured.

We commend Mr. Enders to the renewed confidence and esteem of the Synod, and to those churches which may stand in need of his earnest and helpful labors.

The Secretary of Foreign Missions speaks encouragingly of the willing response of the churches to the needs of our work abroad.

The receipts however have not come up to the full amount authorized by the last General Synod, or needed by the work at hand.

We would respectfully call the attention of our churches to the great blessing of God upon the work of our Foreign Missionaries as a call not only to thanksgiving but an urgent reason for steady and increased support. We would suggest a stronger effort of pastors and people to bring up receipts to the needs of the fields God has committed to our care, believing that we are abundantly able to carry on the work.

N. H. DEMAREST,
Chairman.

On Meetings of Classes.

Your committee appointed at the last meeting of the Particular Synod of Albany to ascertain what could be done in arranging a schedule of Classical meetings by means of which the Classes could hold sessions on different days, thus affording the Synodical Missionary, the Secretaries of our Boards, and others the opportunity of attending as many sessions of the Classes as possible, would respectfully report that letters of inquiry were sent to all the Classes of the Synod to ascertain the wishes of the Classes in the matter.

The replies indicate a willingness on the part of three of the Classes to make changes; one Classis is contemplating a change; one has already made a change; three prefer the old arrangement; and one has referred the matter to a special committee to report latter on.

On carefully noting the changes agreed to or contemplated, the gain appears to be so small that it has been deemed best not to urge that the changes be effected.

PHILIP T. PHELPS.

On the State of Religion.

Your Committee on the State of Religion would respectfully report as follows :

Reports have been received from all the Classes. The written reports accompanying the statistical reports were for the most part clear and comprehensive ; but in one or two instances a better method used in preparation would have enhanced their value. We hope that the consistories in their report to the Classes, and the Classical committees on the State of Religion will, in the future, break away from stereotyped form and phrase whenever possible, and bear in mind that the information given is for general reading among a large number of Churches. We do not undervalue a calm opinion of the general spiritual condition of a church, nor the expression of sincere hopefulness for the future, but definite and particular facts, whenever they can be given, furnish the most interesting and useful reading.

A comparison of the statistical report of this year with that of last year shows that the Synod has gained one Church, the new Sixth Church of Albany. Two candidates for the ministry are reported this year ; none were reported last year. One of the first columns to which we naturally turn is that of members received on confession of faith. Seventy-five less were received than during the preceding year. The Classes of Montgomery and Albany lead this year, as they did last year. We recognize the fact that some seasons are more fruitful of converts than others; and that, in like manner, some places are more fruitful than others; it is in the Kingdom of grace as in the kingdom of nature; but we cannot help feeling that the failure of some churches to reap a good harvest of souls is due to a want of evangelical zeal on their part, and not at all to God's unwillingness to send the blessing. By certificate sixteen more were received this year than last year; 43 more were dismissed; three more died;

four more were suspended. On the whole there appear to be 47 members less in the Synod this year than last year. This result however is due to the revision of rolls, for, according to the statistics, 474 more were received than were lost by dismissal and death. It appears therefore that revision has cost the rolls more than five hundred members, a number equal to the membership of one of the largest Churches in the Synod. We are aware that a part of this loss has been sustained by the removal of members from one place to another, without taking their letters with them, and without notifying their Churches of their new residence. We would suggest therefore that when country members move into the city, special effort be made to secure their union with some Church in the city.

This year's report shows eight Sunday Schools and 541 scholars less than last year. The amount contributed to "denominational objects" is $45 more than last year; the amount to "other objects," $673 less; the amount to "congregational purposes," $2307 more.

It would be unfair to conclude this portion of the report without saying that from every quarter comes commendation for the good work that is being done by Christian Endeavor Societies, Women's Missionary Societies, and Ladies Aid Societies.

We can say therefore that, while the year has been in no wise extraordinary, there is abundant proof that God's presence has been given his Church. There are many reasons for devout gratitude, some reasons also self-examination and repentance, and every encouragement to hopefulness and renewed effort. More power is waiting for the Church than she has ever claimed in the Lord's work. Let the members of our Churches hear and heed the apostolic injunction: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

This Classis, in addition to the statistical table, gives only a condensed report, which we incorporate almost entirely:

"It is with gratitude we report a very encouraging year. With special delight we announce the birth of the new organization, the *Sixth Church of Albany.* This new church, with a most fovorable outlook, bids fair to become a centre of special influence in advancing the Master's cause in the newly settled portion of the city of Albany.

Although several vacancies have occurred in this Classis, and the revision of the rolls gives our records an unstable character, yet our church reports generally show marked progress in similar lines of operation; hence we will not re-iterate these reports individually, but classify them in order to condense our report.

These vacancies, together with the financial depression, have diminished contributions for congregational purposes in the churches of *Madison Avenue*, *Fourth Albany*, *Second Bethlehem*, *Clarksville*, *Jerusalem*, *New Salem* and *Union;* yet *Madison Avenue* has made extensive improvements in completing the construction of her beautiful edifice, with all financial obligations fully met. *Union* claims to be on better financial basis, and *First Bethlehem*, *Onesquethaw* and *New Baltimore* show gains over last year; while *Holland Albany*, which has recently become self-supporting, remains free from debt, increases her receipts, and donates largely to the poor, beside joining with *Fourth Albany*, *First* and *Second Jerusalem*, *Onesquethaw* and *Union* in increased gifts to "denominational objects," and with *First* and *Second Bethlehem*, *Jerusalem* and *New Salem*, *New Baltimore* and *Union* in larger contributions to "other objects."

Nearly all of our churches have begun to assist the Arabian Mission. Male members of the *Jerusalem*

congregation, not having any benevolent organization, have organized for the benefit of the Arabian Mission, associations with the Woman's Missionary Society. However, we notice considerable confusion in reporting gifts to the Arabian Mission. Some churches report under "denominational objects," other under "other objects." It appears that General Synod should be overtured to instruct churches where these gifts should be recorded, or to add the Arabian Missions to the list of Boards and Funds of the Church.

Holland Albany mentions hopefully the interest which exists in her catechetical classes.

First Bethlehem, *Second Bethlehem* and *Jerusalem* are greatly helped by their Christian Endeavor Societies.

Madison Avenue, *Fourth Albany* and *Jerusalem* speak of the improved condition of their Sabbath Schools.

Accessions are reported by *Madison Avenue*, *Fourth Albany*, *Holland Albany*, *First* and *Second Bethlehem* and *Jerusalem*. These churches have noticed better attendance and awakened interest.

In fact nearly all of the reports speak hopefully. Already the vacant churches have mostly arranged to be supplied with the stated preaching of the Gospel. Trusting in God's continued grace to help, we press forward."

Classis of Greene.

This Classis reports general prosperity and progress among the churches. All the churches have settled pastors, three new pastorates having been inaugurated at the beginning of the year under happy circumstances. As a result of the revision of rolls the number of families is greater and the number of communicants is less than last year. The actual accessions by confession and certificate are larger than last year, and far exceed the loss by death and dismissal.

First Athens—Calls special atfention to manifestation of the Spirit's presence, to the addition of a large number of new members. and to generally active work in the community.

Second Athens—Has lost many families by death and removal, and therefore has felt compelled to intermit services since January first. Its Sunday School, however, has been maintained, and the Ladies' Society has been active.

First Catskill—Reports a vigorous life, large congregations and mid-week meetings, a growing strength in the auxiliaries, and a very satisfying state of finance.

First Coxsackie—Has had a year of spiritual blessing, additions to its membership, progress in temporal affairs.

Second Coxsackie—Gives evidence of quiet, steady and faithful work. Subject to great economic losses, it yet shows marked liberality in benevolence.

Kiskatom—Reports spiritual and temporal progress. Auxiliaries have been active. There has been an exchange of parsonage, with all obligations met.

Leeds—Makes special mention of a young men's circle for prayer and Bible study. Sunday School and societies have done good work. One of the union schools has been discontinued.

Classis of Montgomery.

Thirty churches forwarded reports to the committee on the State of Religion. A comparison of the tabular report with that of last year shows a loss of seventy-five families, but sixteen more members were added on confession of faith. The total membership as it appears on the roll has increased by six. The Classis has lost four Sunday Schools, (Ephratah, Johnstown, Owasco and Naumburg each report one school less than last year), but the membership of the remaining schools is 139 more than last year. Contributions

have fallen off in all departments. It is, however, a pleasure to note that the falling off is less in the case of missions than in the case of congregational expenses.

First Amsterdam—Reports an increase in benevolent contributions, growth in the Sunday School, and two regular weekly prayer meetings.

Trinity Amsterdam—Rejoices in a prosperous year. Special commendation is given the Sunday School, the Christian Endeavor Society, and the Ladies' Aid Society. The last named has given great financial help to the church.

Auriesville—The pastor gives catechetical instruction to the Sunday School on each Lord's Day.

Cicero—Reports an addition of sixteen members on confession of faith. The Rev. Dr. W. T. Emmons of Syracuse, preaches regularly there.

Currytown—Finds good results coming from the Home Department of the Sunday School. Commendation is given the Woman's Missionary Society, the Christian Endeavor Society, and the King's Daughters.

Ephratah—Commends the good work of the Sunday School and the Christian Endeavor Society. The pastor deplores the failure of his efforts to secure offerings for benevolence, but hopes for better success next year.

Florida—Has organized a Christian Endeavor Society, which has increased the Sunday evening attendance.

Fonda—Deplores a spirit of worldliness, but is encouraged by a quickened interest among the younger members. The prayer of this church is: "Wilt thou not revive us again, that thy people may rejoice in thee?"

First Herkimer—Has increased its membership by eleven during the year.

Fort Plain—Is thankful that, notwithstanding the many removals from the village and the continued financial depression, the church has held its own. This church has a large and flourishing Sunday School, and the Christian Endeavor Societies are active.

Fultonville—Reports a loss of twenty-three families, and a falling off in contributions. The church also deplores a spirit of worldliness. However, the services have been well attended, and the Bible School was never more efficient. A Junior Christian Endeavor Society has been organized.

Glen—Heartily welcomed its pastor last June, and has heartily co-operated with him since. For the first time in the history of the church the Sunday School has been maintained during the winter months.

Hagaman—Reports all of the services well attended. Sunday School and Christian Endeavor are doing good work.

Herkimer—Through several special offerings made by individuals, benevolent offerings are slightly in excsss of last year. The various organizations are faithfully at work.

Johnstown—Has suffered by the removal of several families and by the general depression of the "hard times." Still the church sees some encouragement.

Mapletown—While there is a lack of spiritual life, the financial condition has improved; the church building has been repaired; the pastor's salary has been increased, and there has been a slight advance in benevolence.

Mohawk—Reports a loss of about one-third of its usual income through the removal of families from the place; also, for the same cause, the loss of some of its best workers.

Naumburg—Has been without a pastor for nearly two years. Last year a student from the Seminary at

New Brunswick served them, and he has been engaged again for the coming summer.

Owasco Outlet—Reports a good degree of spirituality, but deplores the loss of several families by removal from the place.

St. Johnsville—Laments an unusual spirit of worldliness in the community, affecting in some degree the spiritual condition of the church. Losses have been sustained by death, and by the organization of a new Lutheran Church. The church services are well attended. Fifteen new members have been received.

Sprakers—Has enjoyed a year of quiet work. The Sunday School has organized a Home Department, with good results.

Stone Arabia—Is encouraged under the present pastor.

First Syracuse—Pastor and people are looking forward to a large work. The church is united, and a strong Christian spirit pervades its life.

Second Syracuse—Reports a prosperous year. The outlook is promising. Much has been accomplished, materially and spiritually, by quiet, steady work.

Utica—Has nothing of special interest to report. The usual means of grace have been faithfully employed, but the results have fallen short of the desires of the people. They are hoping, praying and working for larger blessings.

West Leyden—Has enjoyed a year of peace and harmony. The work among the young people has been especially gratifying. The Sunday School is flourishing.

Classis of Rensselaer.

The churches generally report an encouraging year. With many the retrospect is excellent. The quietness of real growth is being felt. No special activity has shown itself, and the accessions to membership are

about normal. Chatham has made the largest gain. A strong missionary zeal is found in some of the churches. Contributions show an advance over last year.

Bath—Sends no report.

Blooming Grove—Sends no report.

Chatham—Records an exceedingly prosperous year. The spiritual life has been quickened, and 26 have been brought into fellowship. Contributions are increased over last year. A new chapel is contemplated.

First Ghent—Grateful to God for the faithfulness of its members. The Ladies' Missionary Society contributes largely. The church reports a legacy of $300.

Second Ghent—Reports a year of blessing, with a bright future. The losses in membership are equalled by the gains.

Greenbush—All the services are well maintained. There is activity in every department of the church. Financial depression is felt slightly.

Kinderhook—The year has been uneventful, but there is prosperity along all lines. There has been an advance in congregational finances.

Nassau—A quiet year is reported by this church. Seven members were lost by death. The church edifice has been painted. A better outlook for benevolence.

New Concord—Feels the need of the out-poured spirit.

Schodack—Sabbath attendance is in prime condition. The Christian Endeavor and the Ladies' Missionary Society are working well.

Schodack Landing—The services are well maintained. The ladies of the congregation have given a new bell.

Stuyvesant—Mentions efficient work and real spiritual growth. Speaks of the death of the Rev. Elbert

Nevius, a former pastor. "He was loved by all, and the memory of his godly life and good deeds will always be precious." The church has lost its pastor, who has rendered efficient service for eight years.

Stuyvesant Falls—There has been faithful preaching of the Word and a strengthening of the people. The financial depression has been felt.

Classis of Rochester.

The report says: "Considering the condition of our churches as a whole, we must conclude that the blessing of the Lord has been with us, and that we are called upon to give thanks to the great Head of the church for all his mercies unto us. We have increased in membership; we have given more to benevolence; many precious souls have been born into the Kingdom; God's people have been built up in faith."

Abbe Church—Feels grateful that the vacancy has been filled so soon. Prayer meetings are encouraging.

Arcadia—A more healthful condition than ever before. Eighteen were received on confession and six on letter.

Brighton—Speaks of peace, harmony and progress, and of large accessions to membership.

First Cleveland—Is hopeful under somewhat adverse circumstances. Loyalty of the young people and missionary effort are singled out for special mention.

Clymer Hill—Has enjoyed a fair degree of success; finances in good condition, but there is a neglect of mid-week prayer meeting.

East Williamson—Has been vacant for six months. Young people are earnest.

Farmer—Faithful work has been done in all branches of the church. A change was made from the pew-rental system to voluntary offerings.

Lodi—Reports a year of quiet work.

Marion—Has had a good year; prayer meetings have been a blessing; benevolent contributions have increased.

New York Mills—Sends only statistical report.

Ontario—Reports twelve new members and a completed house of worship.

Palmyra—Is about to lose its pastor; is in financial trouble.

Pultneyville—Has been blessed in every department; benevolence has gone beyodd anything in past; evening service not well attended.

First Rochester—Reports peace and harmony. A Y. P. S. C. E. has been organized. The financial condition is encouraging.

Second Rochester—Only statistics are given.

Tyre—Records a prosperous year. A band of "Willing Workers" has been organized. The gifts to foreign mission are more than double the amount of last year. Sunday services are unusually well attended, but not so the mid-week prayer meeting.

Classis of Saratoga.

Consistorial reports have been received from all but one church, that at Schagticoke. Cohoes, Greenwich, West Troy North, and Wynantskill report revised rolls. In consequence figures have suffered. The complete membership of the Classis is 166 less than last year. In fact all along the line there has been a falling off from last year's report. Thirty-one have been received on confession, twenty-eight less than last year. There is a gain of one Sunday School, that of West Troy (South) having been revived. But in spite of this fact the total enrollment is fourteen less than last year. The following churches are vacant: Northumberland, Easton, Schagticoke, Buskirks and West Troy, (South.) The only churches mentioning spiritual quickening are those of Cohoes

and West Troy (South). On the whole the indication is that honest work has been done, and that the pastors in the field are cheerful and hopeful.

Boght—Rejoices in fresh paint.

Buskirks—Has lost a good pastor.

Cohoes—Has reduced her membership one hundred by revision of the rolls,and for the same reason reports nineteen families less. The spiritual life of the church is good. Fourteen were received on confession and four by certificate.

Easton—Has lost a pastor.

Fort Miller—Contributes to but four of our seven boards and funds.

Gansevoort—Seems to be prospering under the present pastor, but contributes to only three boards.

Greenwich—Has revised the rolls, and reports nineteen members less than last year. This church has received fifteen new members during the year, eleven on certificate. There is an increased benevolent contribution.

Northumberland—Is without a pastor.

Saratoga—Speaks of "spiritual apathy." The report, however, is full of the evidence of good work. The church is out of debt; there are more men than women in the prayer-meeting.

Schagticoke—Sends no report; is without a pastor.

West Troy, (North)—The roll of members has been revised, and in consequence it shows thirty less than last year. Written examinations in the school have been made optional. Individual communion cups have been adopted with satisfaction to the congregation.

West Troy (South)—Reports an increase in the number of families and of members. This church has paid off a judgment of $3,117 against the chapel. The people are encouraged by increased attendance on

preaching services and the Sunday School, and hope soon to have a settled pastor.

Wynantskill—Has lost and gained a pastor.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

All the churches send encouraging reports. The accessions to membership, however, are less than last year by 95, 50 less on confession, and 45 less on certificate. There have been 15 more deaths. As a result of the revision of lists, the report shows a net gain of only 24 members, though 156 have been received. There is one Sunday School less on the roll. There is an increase of contributions to benevolence. There is an apparent increase in contributions to "congregational objects," but owing to the fact that one church, in estimating the cost of repairs to the church edifice, includes $4,468 raised the previous year, there is in reality a decrease of $3,545. General hopefulness pervades all of the churches.

Altamont—Has repaired the church, and built a very cozy parsonage on the church lot.

Amity—Sends only the statistical report.

Bellevue—This young church rejoices in having, for the first time, a pastor on the field. The work is encouraging all along the line.

First Glenville—Reports two weeks of precious revival services; special efforts along the line of temperance have been made, and enlarged subscriptions have been secured.

Second Glenville—Has just replaced the voluntary system by the pew-rent system, with distinct financial gain. The various societies have done efficient work.

Helderberg—Reports a quiet year. The monthly offerings to the boards and funds of the church have been resumed. A substantial reduction has been made in the debt of the church. All departments are in harmonious working order.

Lisha's Kill—Reports increased attendance and increased benevolence.

Mont Pleasant—The attendance upon all services has been a surprise. A missionary society has been organized. A new parsonage has been built; this effort taxed the resources of the young church, but the responses have been generous.

Niskayuna—Records an ordinary year. No special meetings, outside of the week of prayer, have been held, but a good degree of interest has been manifested. This church has for a long time given liberally to missions, and the gifts reported for the past year are notably large.

Princetown—Has had large attenkance during the year, with deep interest. The financial condition is good.

First Rotterdam—Reports services well attended. The Christian Endeavor Society has grown and increased in efficiency.

Second Rotterdam—Is thankful for an increase in Sabbath School interest. A Pastor's Aid Society has been organized for missionary effort. There was a week of blessed revival.

First Schenectady—Three encouraging centres of growth are mentioned: (a) The mid-week prayer meeting has steadily increased in numbers and spiritual fervor; (b) The Sunday School has established a monthly meeting for conference, and in other ways has provided for the study of the Bible according to the best methods; (c) Both Societies of Christian Endeavor are in an especially healthy condition.

Second Schenectady—The faithful work of the retiring pastor is evident. During the interval between pastorates the people have held together, and every department has maintained its efficiency. The newly chosen pastor has much to encourage him as he enters upon his work.

Classis of Schoharie.

No general remarks accompany the detailed report on churches, but a glance at the statistical tables indicates that this Classis has enjoyed a prosperous and fruitful year. All along the line there is an advance over last year's report.

Beaverdam—The special services following the week of prayer proved very beneficial. The Y. P. S. C. E. continues services on Sunday evenings.

Berne—During the year the church has put in stained-glass windows at a cost of $454; the benevolence of the church has increased; a new library has been purchased for the Sunday School; a fund has been started for the erection of a chapel adjoining the church.

Breakabeen—Reports a prosperous year. The Y. P. S. C. E. numbering 60 members, is active and efficient, and proves a great help to the pastor. The church during the year has paid one-half of the cost of building a town-hall, which was much needed and is an ornamental feature of the village.

Central Bridge—Reports an unusually prosperous year. Ground has been purchased and a parsonage erected at a cost of $1,900, of which $1000 was contributed by the W. E. C. of the Board of Domestic Missions. The outlook was never brighter.

Cobleskill—Has put into the church a fine pipe organ, costing $1,800.

Eminence—No report.

Gallupville—Only statistical report.

Gilboa—Rejoices in spiritual awakening. Thirty have been added to the church. Nearly enough money has been raised to renovate the interior of the church.

Howe's Cave—Reports growing congregations and increased activity. This church mourns over the loss of Elder D. O. Burger, who died during the year, and

who was one of ths most efficient elders in all the the Classis.

Lawyersville—Eleven have been added to the church.

Middleburgh—Reports substantial prosperity. The attendance is larger, and more young men are found in the Lord's house.

Moresville—Ten new member have been added.

North Blenheim—Seven added to the membership. The debt has been reduced by two-thirds. The is an increase in benevolence over previous years.

Prattsville—Reports spiritual growth, with awakening interest and activity.

Schoharie—Reports a prosperous year. The additions to the membership have proven valuable.

Sharon—Sends only statistical report.

South Gilboa—Reports hard work done, with small results. Providential hindrances often made meetings impossible.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

The total enrollment of members shows an increase over last year; contributions to "denominational objects" are somewhat larger; but contributions to "congregational objects" have decreased. The committee on the state of religion in this Classis evidently doubts the value of statistics, for we find this question: "Can we reckon, add, sum up the Spirit's work ?"

Blue Mountain—Is vacant. Eighteen new members, sixteen on confession of faith, were added during the year.

Church of the Comforter—Faithfulness and persistence in prayer and preaching are reported.

Esopus—Reports reduced membership roll through deaths and removals and the dropping of some names.

Flatbush—Is in a healthy spiritual condition; there is somewhat of an increase in benevolence.

Jay Gould Memorial—Shows forty-two new members, thirty-eight of whom were received on confession of faith.

Katsbaan—Through removal of liberal donors, this church has not been able to attain to her former high standard of benevolence.

Kingston — Reports thirty-eight new members, twenty of whom are on confession of faith.

Port Ewen—Has lost its pastor, who has rendered sixteen and one-half years of faithful service in the field.

Plattekill—Reports good work and attendance.

Saugerties—Reports "an improved systematization of congregational sustainment, and a looking forward to better results in benevolences hereafter."

Shandakan and *Shokan*—"Have been somewhat divorced and sadly diverted from their pursuit of practical and prosperous religion, * * * * although there never was a more harmonious and loyal people of God than worship in the Shandakan sanctuary."

Stewartville—Is vacant and sends no report. (The blank space opposite the name of this church in the Classical report does not look well, and we do not believe that it argues well for the church.)

West Hurley—Reports indirectly through its supply, the Rev. C. Park, who preaches there Sunday afternoons.

Woodstock—Reports services well attended; harmony and peace prevail.

PHILIP H. COLE,
Chairman.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	392	11	15	10	..	4	712	9	1	....	....	1	441	$1,779 90	$2,220 26	$10,379 58	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Avenue	Edward G. Sheldon	302	22	21	7	..	10	531	6	10	....	....	2	567	8,001 51	2,133 64	9,455 16	Albany, N. Y.
Third, Albany	Robert I. MacBride	100	7	3	20	..	5	148	1	2	....	....	1	270	45 00	.....	2,164 00	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth, Albany	Henry Miller	95	26	....	1	..	3	124	9	....	9	55	1	210	91 25	7 00	1,752 55	Albany, N. Y.
Holland, Albany	J. Van Westenburg	71	10	3	5	..	2	143	19	....	....	42	1	146	147 85	106 65	1,327 94	Albany, N. Y.
Sixth, Albany	Geo. W. Furbeck, P.E.	.....	2	11	....	..	....	13	....	1	....	....	1	122	.....	.....	.....	Albany, N. Y.
First, Bethlehem	Wm. H. Nasholds	169	9	....	....	..	8	227	5	5	....	....	5	280	192 36	42 00	2,108 68	Beckers Corners, N. Y.
Second, Bethlehem	J. L. Pearse, S. C.	100	2	5	3	..	4	226	6	1	....	75	1	176	162 08	40 00	1,150 00	Delmar, N. Y.
Second, Berne	Henry Lockwood	75	28	3	....	..	....	136	2	17	....	....	1	129	15 95	.....	385 02	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	Henry Lockwood	60	....	....	3	..	2	84	....	....	....	....	1	40	49 86	2 29	420 60	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	H. Van Haagen, S. S.	39	....	....	....	..	1	89	....	....	....	7	1	130	20 00	7 33	235 42	New Salem, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	109	....	3	1	..	....	181	5	....	....	....	1	75	184 18	5 00	1,145 03	Coeymans, N. Y.
Jerusalem	T. A. Beekman	86	2	2	4	..	3	134	3	1	45	15	1	100	114 19	30 73	750 82	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Salem	H. Van Haagen, S. S.	80	....	....	1	..	1	155	....	....	....	....	1	86	.....	14 50	393 99	New Salem, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant	40	....	....	....	..	2	50	....	....	....	....	1	60	3 44	.....	150 00	Clarksville, N. Y.
New Baltimore	J. O. Van Fleet, P. E.	92	....	....	....	..	1	174	1	....	....	....	1	86	106 74	25 19	2,147 45	New Baltimore, N. Y.
Union	T. A. Beekman, S. S.	34	....	....	....	..	1	24	1	....	....	3	1	40	13 81	1 73	218 79	Jerusalem, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant	+30	....	....	....	..	....	74	....	....	....	....	....	.....		.....	621 00	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1874	119	66	55	..	47	3225	67	38	54	197	22	2958	$10,928 04	$4,636 32	$34,806 03	

Other Ministers—A. Dickson, Lansingburgh, N. Y.; J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore, N. Y.; C. P. Evans, Albany, N. Y.; J. H. Enders, Synodical Superintendent of P. S. A., Fort Hunter, N. Y.

+ Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First, Athens	W. N. P. Dailey	150	18	8	....	..	2	188	8	7	28	....	2	.....	$354 00	$21 00	$2,632 00	Athens, N. Y.
Second, Athens	C. M. Perlee, S.S	18	....	....	1	..	....	23	....	....	10	....	1	58	4 00	.....	157 00	Leeds, N. Y.
First, Catskill	W. H. S. Demarest	205	17	15	9	..	8	480	7	7	....	100	*3	260	1,285 00	75 00	3,800 00	Catskill, N. Y.
First, Coxsackie	Eugene Hill	135	10	2	3	..	....	†249	....	7	50	75	1	141	229 00	.....	1,552 00	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Second, Coxsackie	F. S. Barnum, S.C	140	1	[illegible]	6	..	5	303	9	1	20	....	*2	220	821 00	33 00	2,035 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Wm. Davis Ward	72	6	....	[illegible]	..	4	182	3	....	75	20	2	80	189 00	5 00	1,463 00	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	70	1	3	2	1	....	138	3	....	35	30	*2	90	120 00	6 00	1,192 00	Leeds, N. Y.
Total		790	53	30	23	1	19	1563	30	22	218	225	13	849	$3,002 00	$140 00	$12,831 00	

Other Ministers—Andrew Parsons, Catskill, N. Y.; Walter Winant, Tappan, N. Y. † Revised List. *One Union School.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.			C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.				POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.		
Amsterdam, First	J. R. Kyle	102	4	3	3	.	3	150	5	1	....	....	1	295	$345 00	$133 00	$1,686 00		Amsterdam, N. Y.
Amsterdam, Trinity	E. J. Blekkink	80	11	5	4	.	1	*114	7	1	..	40	1	336	50 00	35 00	1,306 00		Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. C. Boyd, S. S.	45	3	3		.	1	79	1	3	3	75	1	75	54 00	21 00	395 00		Fonda, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Joseph D. Peters	89	1			.	3	140	3	....	....	....	1	156	137 00	164 00	1,909 00		Canajoharie, N. Y.
Cicero	Vacant	35	16		6	.		74	....	10	....	....	1	50	.....	.....	246 00		Cicero, N. Y.
Columbia	Vacant	36	....			.		48	....	....	....	....	1	35	.....	.....	.....		Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville	Vacant	54	1			.	1	65	4	....	....	....	1	70	6 00	20 00	406 00		Cranesville, N. Y.
Currytown	Peter S. Beekman	33	4	1	3	.	3	95	3	3	....	38	1	†67	142 00	31 00	757 00		Currytown, N. Y.
Ephratah	Charles L. Palmer	45	27	3		.	1	93	6	9	....	....	1	50	.....	.....	503 00		Ephratah, N. Y.
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	3	1	13	3		10	2	1	....	....	1	130	64 00	30 00	1,000 00		Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	John A. De Baun	214	3		13	3	13	*393	4	3	....	163	3	350	351 00	86 00	1,974 00		Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Supplied	31	9	3	.	.	1	42	1	3	....	....	1	45	3 00	.....	250 00		Fort Herkimer, N. Y.
Fort Plain	E. A. Mc Cullum	205	10	3	4	1	4	411	12	5	....	200	1	370	433 00	62 00	2,000 00		Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	Wm. Schmitz, S. C.	80	2	3	3	.	1	*142	1	....	....	98	1	†205	430 00	77 00	1,663 00		Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	Raymond A. Lansing	95	4		4	1	3	*120	3	3	9	113	1	144	64 00	63 00	1,055 00		Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman	Wm. A. Wurts	77	....			.		125	..	....	....	110	1	128	24 00	20 00	1,010 00		Hagaman, N. Y.
Herkimer	John G. Gebhard	157	3	4	3	.	4	295	12	1	....	100	1	150	385 00	15 00	32,564 00		Herkimer, N. Y.
Johnstown	John Van Burt	50	4	2		.		64	8	2	....	....	1	100	51 00	6 00	381 00		Johnstown, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	41	....	2	1	..	2	92	....	....	....	....	1	100	$ 45 95	.....	$ 874 82	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Vacant	41	1	1	1	..	4	75	1	1	....	6	1	63	154 48	$ 29 48	472 91	Buskirks, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser, S. C.	250	14	4	2	..	4	*397	12	6	....	....	1	345	608 35	181 09	3,481 70	Cohoes, N. Y.
Easton	Vacant	.....	6	3	1	..	2	36	11	6	3	20	1	40	3 00	.....	326 00	North Easton, N. Y.
Fort Miller	G. A. Luckenbill, S.S.	50	....	....	....	..	3	119	....	....	....	4	1	70	25 00	20 10	661 62	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Gansevoort	J. C. Forbes	46	....	....	3	..	2	90	....	....	5	....	1	61	22 00	.....	398 77	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Greenwich	Frank C. Scoville.	107	4	11	5	..	2	*227	4	....	....	....	1	120	303 99	39 30	1,720 78	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	Vacant	50	....	....	2	..	4	100	....	....	22	....	1	75	74 67	14 00	‡766 49	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John H. Brandow	93	....	2	8	..	1	193	1	....	....	....	1	146	373 29	83 74	2,128 00	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke +	Vacant	44	....	....	2	..	2	67	....	....	....	....	1	72	10 00	13 00	863 00	Reynolds, N. Y.
West Troy, North	C. B. F. Pearse	170	2	5	10	..	3	*234	9	1	....	....	1	204	305 79	114 77	*a* 4,742 53	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Vacant	35	5	13	....	..	....	45	....	3	....	....	1	43	60 00	5 00	*b* 3,878 69	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	Ulysses S. Schaul	60	....	....	....	..	2	*91	....	....	....	....	1	60	50 00	20 06	735 15	Wynantskill, N. Y.
	Total	988	31	41	35		31	1766	38	17	30	30	13	1399	$2,036 52	$520 54	$21,050 26	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Schuylerville, N. Y.; Rev. Uriah Marvin, Troy, N. Y.; Rev. Geo. I. Taylor, 199 N. Third St., Newark, N. J.; Rev. John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.; Rev. Clinton W. Clowe, Schenectady, N. Y.; Rev. P. A. Wessels, Glenville, N. Y.; Rev. G. E. Macardel, Mechanicville, N. Y.

*Revised Roll. †Report of '97. *a* This includes all departments of work. *b* $3,117 for judgment against Chapel. ‡$329 raised for repairs.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe	M. Ossewarde, S. C.	99	4	2	1	..	3	216	3	3	....	46	1	134	$ 173 01	$ 2 00	$ 747 69	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	G. Dangremond	68	18	6	3	..	....	170	3	....	130	....	1	80	53 38	.....	501 00	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	D. L. Betten	75	12	11	6	..	2	142	5	....	150	75	1	225	188 91	5 25	1,165 42	Brighton, N. Y.
Cleveland (First)	S. M. Hogenboom	48	....	5	.....	.....	.....	90	1	....	80	45	1	92	172 10	104 33	867 60	25 LindenSt.Clevel'nd,O
Clymer Hill	P. G. M. Bahler	71	5	....	1	..	1	162	3	3	110	12	1	112	144 54	35 19	719 27	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	Vacant	124	5	4	1	..	1	282	4	....	.....	.....	1	140	77 29	125 26	965 39	East Williamson, N. Y.
Farmer	E. B. Van Arsdale	145	1	1	3	..	2	325	....	1	.....	.....	1	175	249 23	131 25	1,387 61	Farmer, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	5	3	2	..	2	193	1	5	....	140	1	140	196 94	106 50	1,500 00	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	A. H. Strabbing	144	9	14	4	1	4	328	14	....	325	80	1	210	193 86	73 28	910 44	Marion, N. Y.
New York Mills	J. C. Bergmans	14	1	2	2	..	2	37	4	....	40	28	1	45	5 00	2 00	318 45	New York Mills, N. Y.
Ontario	Vacant	21	8	4	1	..	1	36	4	....	.....	.....	1	36	9 52	.....	351 48	Ontario, N. Y.
Palmyra	Vacant	60	2	1	.....	.....	.....	135	12	....	135	30	1	75	11 85	7 25	388 00	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	60	3	....	22	..	2	147	2	....	.....	.....	1	130	116 54	47 86	753 93	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	162	11	6	7	9	7	302	18	....	.....	50	1	170	388 09	44 24	2,162 67	55HudsonAve.Rochester
Second Rochester	Vacant	87	4	2	32	..	5	250	7	....	.....	.....	1	273	229 81	135 74	*2,187 23	Rochester, N. Y.
Tyre	S. Rederus	25	1	1	.....	.....	.....	52	2	....	18	....	1	61	144 14	.....	412 21	Malcom, N. Y.
	Total	1303	89	62	55	10	32	2757	83	12	988	506	16	2098	$2,354 21	$820 15	$15,338 39	

Other Ministers—John Boehrer, 49 Barthel St., Buffalo, N. Y.; C. M. Steffens, Rochester, N. Y.

*Raised also on mortgage, $2,400.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	J. H. Van Doren, S. S.	46	4	3	2	..	1	60	1	1	15	20	1	145	$ 116 00	$ 16 00	$ 543 00	Bath-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Blooming Grove	Supplied	68	2	3	5	..	1	122	1	1	....	10	1	75	105 00	.....	697 00	Defreestville, N. Y.
Castleton, Emmanuel	Eugene E. Thomas	130	9	1	..	..	1	214	6	6	41	....	2	300	67 00	.....	2,131 00	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Mark A. Denman	115	13	13	4	..	1	226	....	6	....	....	1	187	558 00	167 00	3,059 00	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	Philip T. Phelps	75	2	1	3	..	..	147	6	..	....	....	1	129	247 00	14 00	1,127 00	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	C. V. W. Bedford	57	6	1	1	..	7	114	6	1	....	....	1	137	92 00	15 00	737 00	Omi, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	120	2	6	3	..	3	228	....	2	....	....	1	135	190 00	26 00	1,941 00	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier, S. C.	145	5	4	3	..	3	295	5	3	95	60	1	182	1,326 00	114 00	3,062 00	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	J. Perry Beaver	120	3	2	1	..	7	207	1	2	....	....	1	150	150 00	38 00	1,360 00	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Supplied	25	....	....	2	..	....	53	....	....	....	....	1	35	10 00	.....	335 00	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	Edgar I. McCully	80	2	2	4	..	4	*132	....	....	....	....	2	110	124 00	.....	1,003 00	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Josiah E. Crane	90	4	8	5	..	4	139	5	....	....	67	1	99	106 00	2 00	1,009 00	Schodack Landing, N. Y.
Stuyvesant	Vacant	63	1	2	1	..	1	112	3	....	....	....	1	85	226 00	15 00	983 00	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	A. W. Hopper	70	1	....	6	1	1	87	3	....	38	60	1	70	33 00	.....	739 00	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
	* Total	1204	54	46	40	1	34	2136	37	22	189	217	16	1839	$3,350 00	$407 00	$18,726 00	

Other Ministers—John B. Drury, Ed. *Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J.; Isaac S. Schenck, New Brunswick, N. J.; John F. Shaw, Ithaca, N. Y.

*Revised List..

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY (CONTINUED.)

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Manheim	Vacant	40			....	..	4	34	....	....	....	....	1	40	$ 4 00	.....	$325 00	Ingraham's Mills, N. Y.
Mapletown	John A. Thomson, S.S.	30			2	..	1	60	3	....	....	....	1	40	21 00	3 00	409 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Mohawk	Ira VanAllen	70	2		1	..	....	135	....	1	....	100	1	125	167 00	17 00	1,625 00	Mohawk, N. Y.
Maunburg	Vacant	15			....	..	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	10 00	.. ..	129 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
Owasco	J. A. Rodgers, S. S.	100	5	1	....	..	3	108	1	5	....	....	2	230	28 00	94 00	1,004 00	Owasco, N. Y.
Owasco Outlet	F. A. Force	32	2	2	4	..	1	61	....	1	....	10	1	35	88 00	25 00	513 00	Auburn, N. Y.
Point Rock	F. E. Schlieder, S. S.	6			....	..	....	14	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	10 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	Charles W. Kinney	130	10	5	4	..	5	238	2	4	....	....	1	202	85 00	19 00	1,832 00	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thomson	50	3	5	4	2	1	98	4	2	....	....	1	115	78 00	17 00	650 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	Charles L. Palmer	36	16	12	1	..	1	55	3	2	....	....	1	38	24 00	.....	380 00	Ephratah, N. Y.
First Syracuse	Philip H. Cole	150	8	8	7	..	5	348	4	1	....	285	1	321	648 00	420 00	3,928 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Second Syracuse	Charles Maar	45	4	2	....	1	....	63	2	....	35	....	2	175	99 00	24 00	$ 559 60	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Islands	I. J. Van Hee	*70	17	2	....	2	2	*75	2	9	....	....	1	102	68 00	33 00	1,627 00	Alexander Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Peter Crispell	100	3	5	7	..	5	163	....	1	....	80	1	160	865 00	89 00	4,771 00	Utica, N. Y.
West Leyden	T. E. Schleider	32	4	....	....	..	....	*52	7	....	....	....	1	60	68 00	4 00	314 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
Total		2404	179	75	85	9	65	4087	99	69	47	1432	35	4407	$4,710 00	$1,518 00	$38,151 00	

Other Ministers—D. Lord, Jordanville, N. Y.; R. R. Williams, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Prof. Oren Root, Clinton, N. Y.; A. D. Minor, Mohawk, N. Y.; Joel Loucks, McKinley, N. Y.; Philip Furbeck, St. Johnsville, N. Y.; Hervey D. Leland, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Louis H. Bahler, Schenectady, N. Y.; William H. Shelland, Nelliston, N. Y.; P. O. Wilson, Easton, N. Y. Student Candidates: F. V. W. Lehman and Howard Furbeck.

*Revised List. †Including home department. ‡Including $528 for chapel debt. §Including $100 on Church lot.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.				POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.		
Altamont	Orville T. Fletcher	85	6	11	1	..	2	126	3	1	24	40	1	95	$41 00	$27 00	‡$1,615 00		Altamont, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	54	....	....	8	..	2	143	....	....	....	175	1	175	41 00	.....	1,014 00		Visscher's Ferry, N. Y.
Bellevue	Robert J. Hogan	53	....	7	4	..	....	39	....	....	....	....	1	138	11 00	49 00	484 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
Glenville, First	Joseph McIntyre	90	8	....	2	..	2	273	....	5	....	....	2	115	54 00	43 00	930 00		Glenville, N. Y.
Glenville, Second	M. R. Gordon	80	2	1	....	..	6	175	1	1	....	80	3	300	132 00	6 00	1,402 00		Scotia, N. Y.
Helderberg	Geo. G. Seibert	112	6	2	13	..	3	*260	2	3	60	90	1	108	54 00	15 00	†1,792 00		GuilderlandCentre, N.Y.
Lisha's Kill	C. A. Conant	50	1	....	2	..	1	145	2	....	....	....	2	95	72 00	42 00	878 00		Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant	A. B. Herman	45	2	6	....	..	1	61	10	1	42	64	1	175	18 00	.....	511 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars, S. C.	135	7	4	4	..	3	284	3	1	125	140	2	280	506 00	49 00	1,440 00		Niskayuna, N. Y.
Princetown	Thos. C. Johnston, S.S.	115	10	6	7	..	5	299	1	3	....	75	1	200	168 00	12 00	1,343 00		Gifford, N. Y.
Rotterdam, First	Alexander Hill	180	1	3	4	..	2	198	4	....	....	....	3	300	130 00	25 00	1,150 00		Pattersonville, N. Y.
Rotterdam, Second	John Calvin Knox	58	7	....	1	..	1	116	5	2	....	....	1	121	40 00	1 00	1,414 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, First	A. C. Sewall	294	12	19	1	..	9	*548	13	4	....	....	3	684	1,215 00	193 00	$10,790 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, Second	Geo. Edwin Talmage	200	16	19	13	..	14	399	5	6	....	....	1	225	263 00	92 00	4,768 00		Schenectady, N. Y.
	Total	1551	78	78	60		51	3066	49	27	....	....	23	3011	$2,745 00	$554 00	$29,531 00		

Other Ministers—Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y.; Rev. Joseph B. Thyme, Johnstown, N. Y. *Revised List. †$482 on church debt. ‡$525 for repairs. §$5,436 for church renovation and repairs.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	Herbert B. Roberts	64	3	3	1	..	1	106	....	3	....	50	1	60	$ 25 65	$ 3 45	$ 375 00	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	Herbert B. Roberts	61	3	....	....	..	1	116	6	3	....	71	1	89	188 11	9 04	954 89	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	William W. Whitney	46	6	1	1	..	2	50	3	2	10	15	1	95	25 35	5 25	385 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Central Bridge	James Jongeneel	33	....	4	2	..	....	45	....	....	....	....	1	50	35 20	3 50	1,161 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Dewitt G. Rockerfeller	35	4	2	....	..	2	58	....	3	....	....	1	40	16 14	.....	407 00	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Vacant*	*10	....	1	....	..	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Eminence, N. Y.
Gallupville	Vacant	25	....	....	4	..	4	35	....	....	....	....	1	64	.....	.....	.....	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	John H. Scarlet	62	30	4	....	..	4	123	....	24	....	....	1	76	20 25	22 45	906 19	Gilboa, N. Y.
Howe's Cave	James Jongeneel	45	4	1	....	..	2	70	....	3	....	....	1	60	28 11	7 65	416 30	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	Dewitt G. Rockerfeller	50	11	2	1	..	3	85	....	6	....	50	1	66	82 00	9 00	596 00	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Charles W. Pitcher	120	2	2	2	..	5	156	7	2	....	....	1	129	84 71	146 00	1,358 70	Middleburgh, N. Y.
Grand Gorge	Charles M. Dixon	32	10	1	1	..	....	39	....	7	....	25	1	60	38 57	6 00	10 82	Prattsville, N. Y.
North Blenheim	William W. Whitney	48	6	1	1	..	2	50	3	3	9	12	1	73	32 51	3 08	580 65	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	Charles M. Dixon	70	5	....	1	..	2	41	....	2	....	30	1	60	39 05	10 33	461 27	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	William C. Handy	60	8	2	9	..	2	140	1	2	....	20	1	90	152 04	29 25	898 87	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Isaac Messler	50	5	....	....	..	1	74	....	3	....	....	1	60	10 30	.....	363 64	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	John H. Scarlet, S. S.	23	....	....	....	..	....	50	....	....	....	....	1	40	5 00	.....	150 00	Gilboa, N. Y.
	Total	834	97	24	23		32	1247	20	63	19	273	16	1112	$792 99	$254 97	$9,025 33	

Other Ministers—Edward Miller, Cobleskill, N. Y.; Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; John S. Lott, 54 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; D. K. Van Doren, S. C., Mechanicville, N. Y.

*Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	Vacant	110	16	2	1	..	5	207	11	2	....	....	2	125	.....	.....	$ 724 65	Fawns, N. Y.
Ch. of the Comforter	J. Edgar Winne	90	1	....	....	..	2	171	6	....	61	30	1	275	$ 171 80	$ 51 01	704 10	Kingston, N. Y.
Esopus	S. T. Cole	50	....	....	5	..	3	*126	2	....	....	....	1	84	112 00	.....	900 00	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWitt	90	3	2	2	..	5	166	6	3	103	....	3	320	152 98	.....	1,200 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Jay Gould Memorial	N. H. Demarest	80	38	4	5	1	....	115	4	22	....	....	1	140	400 00	.....	1,886 00	Roxbury, N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	100	1	1	....	..	3	177	2	....	....	....	1	100	240 65	80 61	1,039 85	Katsbaan, N. Y.
Kingston	J. G. Van Slyke	274	20	18	....	..	10	536	4	....	....	....	1	280	897 48	250 00	5,420 59	Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen	Vacant	110	4	5	8	..	8	245	5	....	....	....	1	170	155 70	.....	1,160 00	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Roe	157	....	....	0	..	2	232	4	....	150	....	2	252	87 00	70 00	1,015 00	Cockburn, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	180	3	1	3	..	4	300	6	2	....	....	1	140	299 90	90 00	2,772 48	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	George Niemeyer	38	....	....	0	..	....	60	....	....	....	....	1	85	24 30	.....	380 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	George Niemeyer	92	1	1	2	..	2	142	1	1	....	....	1	80	.....	.....	.....	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	Vacant	.....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	Supplied	38	1	....	1	..	4	61	2	1	....	....	1	92	.....	26 04	518 60	West Hurley, N. Y.
Woodstock	Clearfield Park	66	6	....	2	..	2	116	4	3	....	....	1	120	25 87	14 00	968 32	Woodstock, N. Y.
	Total	1475	94	24	29	1	50	2654	57	34	314	30	18	2223	$2,567 68	$581 66	$18,689 59	

Other Ministers--Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; W. A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; Calvin Case, Brodhead, N. Y.; Rufus M. Stanbrough, Kingston, N. Y.; B. C. Lippincott, S. C., Kingston, N. Y. *Revised List.

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CLASSES.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			STATED CLERKS.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	18	17	....	1874	119	66	55	..	47	3225	67	38	54	197	22	2958	$10,928 04	$4,636 32	$34,806 03	J. Lansing Pearse.
Greene	7	8	....	790	53	30	23	1	19	1563	30	22	218	225	13	849	3,002 00	140 00	12,831 00	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	33	34	2	2404	179	75	85	9	65	4087	99	69	47	1432	35	4407	4,710 00	1,518 00	38,151 00	Wm. Schmitz.
Rensselaer	14	14	....	1204	54	46	40	1	34	2136	37	22	189	217	16	1839	3,350 00	407 00	18,726 00	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	16	14	....	1303	89	62	55	10	32	2757	83	12	988	506	16	2098	2,354 21	820 15	15,338 39	Martin Ossewaarde.
Saratoga	13	13	....	988	31	41	35	..	31	1766	38	17	30	30	13	1399	2,036 52	520 54	21,050 26	Oliver H. Walser.
Schenectady	14	17	....	1551	78	78	60	..	51	3066	49	27	....	....	23	3011	2,745 00	554 00	29,531 00	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	13	....	834	97	24	23	..	32	1247	20	63	19	273	16	1112	792 99	254 97	9,025 33	D. K. Van Doren.
Ulster	15	15	....	1475	94	24	29	1	50	2654	57	34	314	30	18	2223	2,567 68	581 66	18,689 59	B. C. Lippincott.
Total	147	145	2	12423	794	446	405	22	361	22501	480	304	1859	2910	172	19896	$32,486 44	$9,434 64	$198,148 70	

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Received.

Rev. Robert I. MacBride, from the Presbytery of Otsego, March 28, 1898.

George W. Furbeck, Classis of Rensselaer, April 19, 1898.

Jacob O. Van Vleet, Classis of Passaic, April 19. 1898.

Installed.

Robert I. MacBride, over the Third church of Albany, April 14, 1898.

Pastoral Relations dissolved.

Between Rev. A. M. Arcularius, and the church of New Baltimore, Oct. 26, 1897.

Between Rev. W. N. P. Daily, and the Third church of Albany, Nov. 16, 1897.

Dismissed.

Rev. A. M. Arcularius to South Classis of Long Island, Oct. 26, 1897.

Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, to Classis of Greene, Nov. 16, 1897.

Classis of Greene.

Received.

Rev. Eugene Hill, from the Classis of Paramus, Sept. 28, 1897.

Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, from the Classis of Albany, Dec. 15, 1897.

Installed.

Rev. Eugene Hill, over the First Reformed Church of Coxsackie, N. Y., October 22, 1897.

Rev. W. N. P. Dailey over the First Reformed Church, of Athens, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1897.

Pastoral Relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Wm. Wyckoff Schomp, and the First Reformed Church of Athens, N. Y., July 12, 1897.

Between Rev. Walter Winant, and the First Reformed Church of Coxsackie, N. Y., Aug. 15, 1897.

Dismissed.

Rev. Wm. Wyckoff Schomp, to Classis of Orange, July 12, 1897.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Received.

Licentiate R. A. Lansing, from the Classis of Schenectady, May 29, 1897.

Rev. Philip H. Cole, from the Classis of Schenectady Dec. 17, 1897.

Rev. Jos. D. Peters, from the Classis of Westchester January 20, 1898.

Rev. Louis H. Bahler, frem the Classis of Ulster, April 18, 1898.

Rev. Philip Furbeck, from the Classis of Hudson, April 18, 1898.

Ordained.

R. A. Lansing, May 27, 1897.

Installed.

Rev. Raymond Augustus Lansing, over the church of Glen, May 27, 1897.

Rev. Philip H. Cole, over the church of First Syracuse, Dec. 29, 1897.

Rev. Jos. D. Peters, over the church of Canajoharie, January 20, 1898.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Betwen Rev. Henry D'B. Mulford, and the church of First Syracuse, July 19, 1897.

Dismissed.

Rev. H. D'B. Mulford, to Classis of New Brunswick July 19, 1897.

Licentiate, Edward Alexander Drake, to the Classis of Illinois, May 27, 1897.

Licentiate, Chas. V. W. Bedford, to Classis of Rensselaer, May 27, 1897.

Died.

Guido F. Verbeck, March 9, 1898 in Japan.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Received.

The Candidate Edgar I. McCully, from the Classis of Passaic, June 22, 1897.

The Candidate Chas. V. W. Bedford, from the Classis of Montgomery, June 30, 1897.

Installed.

Rev. Mark A. Denman, over the church of Chatham, May 27, 1897.

Rev. Edgar I. McCully, over the church of Schodack, June 22, 1897.

Rev. Chas. V. W. Bedford, over the Second church of Ghent, June 30, 1897.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck, and the church of Stuyvesant, April 19, 1898.

Dismissed.

Rev. Louis Hieber, to the Classis of Orange, Oct. 5th, 1897.

Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck, to the Classis of Albany, April 19, 1898.

Died.

Rev. Elbert Nevius, Sept. 29, 1897.

Classis of Rochester.

Received.

Rev. D. L. Betten, from the Classis of Paramus, Sept. 16, 1897.

Rev. J. C. Bergmans, from the Western N. Y. Association of Congregational churches, Oct. 6, 1897.

Installed.

Rev. J. C. Bergmans, over the church of New York Mills, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1897.

Rev. Martin Ossewaarde, over the church of Abbe, Clymer, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1897,

Rev. D. L. Betten, over the church of Brighton, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1897.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Henry Hospers, Jr., and the church of Abbe, of Clymer, N. Y., June 14, 1897.

Between Rev. Martin Ossewaarde, and the church of East Williamson, N. Y., Oct. 6, 1897.

Between Rev. C. M. Steffens, and the Second Reformed church of Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1897.

Between Rev. W. Lubach, and the church of Palmyra, N. Y., April 20, 1898.

Dismissed.

Rev. Henry Hospers, Jr., to the Classis of Wisconsin, June 14, 1897.

Rev. W. Lubach, to the Classis of Paramus, April 20, 1898.

Classis of Saratoga.

Received.

Licentiate J. C. Forbes, from the Classis of West Chester, May 25, 1897.

Installed.

Licentiate J. C. Forbes, over the church of Gansevoort, June 30, 1897.

Rev. U. S. Schaul, over the church of Wynantskill, Feb. 9, 1898.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. G. E. Macardel and the church of Schagticoke, May 25, 1897.

Between Rev. R. J. Hogan and the church of Buskirks, Oct. 18, 1897.

Between Rev. U. S. Schaul and the church of Easton, Jan. 10, 1898.

Dismissed.

Rev. J. A. Hainer, to East Baptist church, Lynn, Mass., and also to the Massachusetts Baptist Association, Oct. 12, 1897.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Received.

Rev. Thos. C. Johnston, from the Queens' County Association of Congregational Churches, Nova Scotia, Sept. 21, 1897.

Rev. A. B. Herman, from the Classis of Monmouth, Oct. 11, 1897.

Rev. Robert J. Hogan, from the Classis of Saratoga, Nov. 1, 1897.

Rev. George Edwin Talmage, from the Classis of New York, April 19, 1898.

Installed.

Rev. A. B. Herman, over the church of Mont Pleasant, Oct. 11, 1897.

Rev. Robert J. Hogan, over the church of Bellevue, Nov. 1st, 1897.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Philip H. Cole and the second church of Schenectady, Dec. 8th, 1897.

Dismissed.

Licentiate Raymond A. Lansing to Classis of Montgomery, May 25th, 1897.

Rev. Philip H. Cole to the Classis of Montgomery, Dec. 8th, 1897.

Rev. Bergen B. Staats to the Classis of Monmouth.

Died.

Rev. Lauren Vanderveer, Aug. 18, 1897.

Rev. David B. Hall, May 1, 1898.

Classis of Schoharie.

Received.

Licentiate Isaac Messler, from the Classis of Raritan.

Licentiate Chas. Morrison Dixon, from the Classis of Raritan.

Ordained and Installed.

Rev. Isaac Messler, over the church of Sharon.

Rev. Chas. Morrison Dixon, over the churches of Prattsville and Moresville.

Classis of Ulster.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. Louis H. Bahler, and the church of West Hurley, April 12, 1898.

Between Rev. B. C. Lippincott, and the church of Port Ewen.

Dismissed.

Rev. Louis H. Bahler, to the Classis of Montgomery, April 12, 1898.

ARTICLE IX.

Benevolent Institutions.

The Rev. Edward G. Selden, D.D. on behalf of the Board of Domestic Missions, was heard on the evening of the first day. The Rev. C. P. Ditmars on behalf of the Board of Foreign Missions, was heard on the evening of the second day.

ARTICLE X.

Delegates to General Synod.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classes. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

Pramarie.	*Secundi.*
MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. J. VanWestenburg,	Rev. Henry Lockwood,
" Wm. H. Nasholds,	" C. W. Burrows,
" J. Lansing Pearse,	" Theo. A. Beekman.
ELDERS.	ELDERS.
H. H. DeRouville,	A. Saddlemire,
G. N. Best,	B. T. E. Bronk,
W. L. M. Phelps,	J. V. D. H. Bradt.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS:
Rev. F. S. Barnum,	Rev. C. M. Perlee,
" W. D. Ward,	" W. H. L. Demarest,
" A. Parsons,	" Eugene Hill.
ELDERS:	ELDERS:
A. G. Case,	Jacob Fiester,
Frederick Saxe,	W. J. Jennings,
H. S. Howe,	S. D. Burroughs.

Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. J. J. Van Hee,	Rev. P. S. Beekman,
" F. E. Schlieder,	" C. L. Palmer,
" J. R. Kyle,	" R. A. Pearse,
" E. J. Blekkink,	" J. A. DeBaun,
" J. C. Boyd,	" E. A. McCullum,
" J. D. Peters,	" Wm. Schmitz.
ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Fayette Getman,	Jacob Dievendorf,
Henry Ernst,	Richard Gettman,
W. Servoss,	C. H. Van Horn,
N. W. Donnan,	R. A. Schuyler,
Abm. Maybie,	Henry Zoller,
Adam Smith,	Giles H. Mount.

Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS.
Rev. P. T. Phelps,	Rev. J. P. Beaver,
" J. Laubenheimer,	" J. E. Crane,
" Edw. A. Collier,	" A. W. Hopper.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
C. H. Porter,	R. Weatherwax,
J. Moore,	A. L. Schermerhorn,
W. H. Rainey,	Wm. Herrick.

Classis of Rochester.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. C. F. Porter,	Rev. M. Ossewaarde,
" A. H. Strabbing,	" G. Dangermond,
" S. Rederus,	" D. L. Betten.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
Isaac Mahieu,	Jan Jansen,
W. Van Wiggeren,	C. Van Hee.

Classis of Saratoga.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. F. C. Scoville,	Rev. J. C. Forbes,
" J. H. Brandow,	" C. W. Clowe,
" Oliver H. Walser,	" J. G. Smart.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
John Hilton,	Samuel Thompson,
E. Whiteside,	L. T. Cole,
R. Schuyler,	H. Sweet.

Classis of Schenectady.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. Geo. G. Seibert,	Rev. Joseph McIntyre,
" M. R. Gordon,	" James E. Graham,
" C. P. Ditmars,	" O. T. Fletcher.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
Edward Becker,	E. B. Lansing,
B. L. Conde,	Tunis C. Pearse,
D. A. Whitlock,	J. A. Ferguson,

Classis of Schoharie.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. W. W. Whitney,	Rev. H. B. Roberts,
" Dewitt G. Rockafeller,	" Isaac Messler,
" Jas. Jongeneel,	" Chas. M. Dixon.
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
C. M. Throop,	Chas. Frazee,
F. L. Casper,	Daniel Sitzer,
G. L. Danforth,	A. L. Baker.

Classis of Ulster.

MINISTERS:	MINISTERS:
Rev. B. C. Lippencott,	Rev. S. T. Cole,
" D. Wortman,	" R. DeWitt,
" A. J. Sebring,	" N. H. Demarest
ELDERS:	**ELDERS:**
Jas. E. Van Aken,	S. M. Terpening,
Jeremiah K. Merritt,	W. H. Ten Broeck,
Chas. V. DeWitt, M. D.,	T. S. Smith.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: From 9 to 11:45 A. M., from 2 to 5 P. M., and from 7:30 P. M. until such hour as Synod may adjourn.

On the evening of the second day the Rev. John G. Gebhard delivered an address on the subject, "The Lord for the body."

The following appointments were made by the Committee on Religious Exercises, for the Communion on the afternoon of the second day. To preside and read the form, the President of Synod, the Rev. D. K. Van Doren; to distribute the bread, the Rev. F. S. Barnum; to distribute the wine, the Rev. N. H. Demarest; Assisting Elders, J. A. Wilson, Thomas Bell, J. Alvan Ostrom, H. S. Howe.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have printed, and to distribute among the Classes the usual number of copies of the minutes.

The first half hour of the second day was spent in devotional service, led by the Rev. Eugene Hill. The Rev. J. H. Enders, Synodical Missionary Superintendent addressed the Synod on Wednesday morning.

A Committee consisting of the Rev. E. G. Selden, the Rev. P. H. Cole, and Elder G. H. Peterson, was appointed to draw up suitable resolutions in regard to the present war with Spain. The committee reported as follows. It was adopted.

The Particular Synod of Albany, in session at Cohoes, May 4th, 1898, desires to put upon record the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, At this hour our beloved land is engaged in open and aggressive hostilities with a nation, with which we have hitherto maintained friendly relations:

Resolved, First, That we deeply regret the armed conflict, believing that after eighteen Christian centuries, the world ought to be "wrapt in the dominion of a Universal peace," and that all national differences ought to be settled by some process of arbitrations, or with even more propriety by mutual concessions, and agreements.

Second, that in the prevailing contest we recognize the lofty and generous purpose which has actuated our governments, both in its legislative and executive departments, and which has brought our people into unity of sentiment; and that we express our profound conviction that we are fully justified in our unexampled self-sacrifice as a nation in attempting to rescue the people of a neighboring island from the fearful oppressions of a cruel and bigoted nation, which has persisted in its repressive and hurtful measures for more than three hundred years.

Third, that we offer our warmest sympathy and our most earnest prayer for all who on sea and land fight our battles in behalf of justice and humanity, and that we implore all Almighty God for his favor and blessing upon our country, wherein he has already manifested

his providential working in the direction of liberty and righteousness.

Fourth, that we remember in our appeal for divine help, and enrichment these hundreds of thousands who are contending so nobly for their own freedom, and for rights so long denied them.

Fifth, That we earnestly desire to put aside all feelings of hatred and revenge, and that we sincerely and devoutly beg in behalf of this nation with which we maintain our unhappy conflict, the special operation of divine grace, and the gift of a free gospel, which alone can insure to highest attainments in christian civilization, peace, social progress, general enlightenment, together with substantial and enduring prosperity.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod be extended to the Pastor and Consistory, and families, and also to the Choir for their kind and hospitable entertainment.

ARTICLE XII.

Resumption and Close.

The minutes were read and approved.

ARTICLE XIII.

Adjournment.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the Reformed Church of Fonda, N. Y., if the way be clear, on the First Tuesday in May, 1899, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with prayer by the President.

D. K. VAN DOREN, *President*,
EUGENE HILL, *Vice-President*.

F. A. Force, }
A. W. Hopper, } *Temporary Clerks*.

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C. P. Ditmars, *Stated Clerk*.

PRESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1868—1898.

1868. Rev. Philip Peltz, D. D., Saugerties.
1869. " B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
1870. " John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North)
1871. " S. J. Rogers, Kinderhook.
1872. " R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873. " J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874. " Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875. " Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876. " J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy (South)
1877. " Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878. " J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879. " Edw. A. Collier, Chatham Village.
1880. " George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881. " John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
1882. " Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883. " Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884. " Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885. " Andrew J. Hagaman, Fort Plain.
1886. " James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
1887. " Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
1888. " John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889. " Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890. " Denis Wortman, D. D., 2d Schenectady.
1891. " F. S. Barnum, 2d Coxsackie.
1892. " Philip Furbeck, Schoharie.
1893. " Philip Phelps, D. D., Canajoharie.
1894. " John G. Van Slyke, D. D., 1st Albany.
1895. " Bergen B. Staats, Saugerties.
1896. " Philip T. Phelps, 2d Rochester.
1897. " Philp H. Cole, Athens.
1898. " D. K. Van Doren, Cohoes.

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session, May 2, 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M., in the Reformed Church at Fonda, N. Y., and continued in session until 8:40, Wednesday, May 4th.

The Synod was called to order by the Rev. D. K. Van Doren, the retiring President, and opened with prayer. He also preached the Synodical Sermon, taking as his text, Ezekiel 37 : 3.

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were found present:

From the Classis of Albany.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. H. Van Haagen,	
" Geo. W. Furbeck,	
" J. Van Westenberg.	

From the Classis of Greene.

Rev. Eugene Hill,	S. T. Burroughs,
" W. D. Ward,	C. Linzey.

From the Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. J. A. De Baun,	J. Hees,
" J. R. Kyle,	Levi Strong,
" E. J. Blekkink,	Abram Van Horn.
" J. C. Boyd.	

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps,	F. M. Niver,
" C. V. W. Bedford,	Clarence Kittle.

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. G. Flikkema.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. H. A. Frear,	Stephen Schuyler.
" G. E. Macardel,	
" C. S. Wyckoff.	

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. Geo. E. Talmage,	Chas. H. Crockett,
" A. B. Herman,	J. H. B. Gifford,
" R. J. Hogan,	Richard D. Groot,
" C. P. Ditmars.	

From the Classis of Schoharie.

Rev. D. K. Van Doren.

From the Classis of Ulster.

Rev. J. E. Winne,	Wm. Van Etten,
" S. W. Roe,	P. M. Gillespy.
" C. Park.	
" C. Van Santvoord.	

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Rev. George Edwin Talmage was cho
President ; the Rev. A. B. Herman was chosen Vi

President; the Revs. Philip T. Phelps and R. J. Hogan, Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed :

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. E. J. Blekkink,	R. D. Groot,
" H. Van Haagen,	Wm. Van Etten.
" A. B. Herman.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. J. E. Winne,	S. T. Burroughs,
" C. Park,	Levi Strong.
" G. W. Furbeck.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. D. K. Van Doren,	Abram Van Horn,
" C. S. Wyckoff,	Stephen Schuyler.
" J. C. Boyd.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. Philip T. Phelps,	C. H. Crockett,
" J. Van Westenberg,	P. M. Gillespy,
" D. K. Van Doren.	

On Nominations.

Rev. J. R. Kyle,	C. H. Crockett,
" H. A. Frear,	Clarence Kittle,
" C. P. Ditmars.	

On the Treasury.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. Geo. E. Macardel,	J. H. B. Gifford,
" G. Flikkema,	F. M. Niver,
" W. D. Ward.	

On Necrology.

Rev. C. P. Ditmars.

On Religious Exercises.

Rev. John A. De Baun,	J. Hees,
" C. Van Santvoord,	C. Linzey.
" W. D. Ward.	

On Missions.

Rev. S. W. Roe,	F. M. Niver,
" H. A. Frear,	C. Kittle.
" A. B. Herman.	

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. C. V. W. Bedford,	J. H. B. Gifford,
" J. E. Winne,	Levi Strong.
" R. J. Hogan.	

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Treasurer's Accounts and vouchers were received, and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The delegates to General Synod nominated by the several Classes were received, and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Annual Report of the Rev. J. H. Enders, the the Synodical Missionary Superintendent, was received, and referred to the Committee on Missions.

A letter from the Board of Domestic Missions relating to the discontinuance of the Synodical Missionary, was read and referred to the Committee on Missions.

A resolution from the Classis of Schoharie, relating to the same subject, was read and referred to the Committee on Missions.

A letter from the Board of Foreign Missions stating that the Rev. E. B. Coe, D. D., was appointed to represent that Board before the Synod, was read and referred to the Committee on Religious Exercises.

A card stating that the Board of Domestic Missions had appointed the Rev. J. Van Westenberg as its representative, was referred to the same Committee.

The notice of an appeal from the decision of the Classis of Montgomery, together with the papers in the case were referred to the Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business.

ARTICLE VIII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the Minutes of General Synod and of the Particular Synods of Chicago, New Brunswick and New York were received, and referred to the Committee on Synodical Minutes.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods.

Chicago, Rev. D. K. Van Doren.

New Brunswick, Rev. John A. Thompson.

New York, Rev. W. H. S. Demarest.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted:

On Religious Exercises.

Your Committee would respectfully report the following appointments: At the communion service on Wednesday afternoon, the Vice-President of Synod, the Rev. A. B. Herman, will preside and read the

form. The Rev. S. W. Roe will administer the bread, and the Rev. E. J. Blekkink will administer the cup. The following Elders will distribute the bread: J. H. B. Gifford, C. Linzey, S. T. Burroughs, Jacob Hees. The following will distribute the cup: P. M. Gillespy, Richard D. Groot, Chas. H. Crockett, Levi Strong.

To deliver the address on the second evening of the session in 1900, the Rev. E. G. Selden, D. D., primarius, and the Rev. A. C. Sewall, D. D., secundus. The speaker to choose his own subject.

J. A. De Baun,
Chairman.

On Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology respectfully reports:

The Rev. David B. Hall, of the Classis of Schenectady, died at Duanesburgh, N. Y., May 1st, 1898. He was born at Middle Granville, N. Y., March 16th, 1812. He graduated from Union College in 1839, and from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1842. He was licensed and ordained by the Congregational Association of Pawlet, Vt. For a few years he supplied different Congregational and Presbyterian churches, but the most of his ministry was in the service of the Reformed Church. He served Cleveland, 1850 to 1853, Lawyersville, 1853, New Rhinebeck and Coblesskill, 1853 to 1855, Princetown, 1855 to 1863, and again 1865 to 1869. In this last charge, in 1868, his Church enjoyed a blessed work of grace, the influence of which gave a new impulse to the Lord's people and the whole community there, which abides to this day. In his modesty he was stricken with astonishment at what he saw and felt, and would gladly have handed over the whole conduct of the work to his neighbors in the ministry who came at his call to witness with and assist him. A solemn awe, which rendered him wellnigh speechless, sat upon him, and his whole bearing said with unuttered words, "Lord, now let Thy servant

depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation." He did very soon retire from his position and almost altogether from ministerial labor, except for occasional pulpit supply; but he went with a life crowned with his heart's desire, in glad thanksgiving taking his sheaves with him. Mr. Hall was a very quiet, modest man, confining himself closely to his home, and making few acquaintances outside the circle of his work. Through much of his life he endured a heavy domestic affliction, which nevertheless was not only patiently but cheerfully borne; and he has left behind him a precious memory and a hallowed influence.

The Rev. J. Howard Van Doren, of the Classis of Rensselaer died at Bath-on-the Hudson, June 6th, 1898. He was born in Princeton, N. Y., in 1837. He graduated from Rutgers College in 1859, and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1864. During his Seminary course in 1862, he enlisted in the 30th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers, and received his discharge in 1863, being subsequently granted an honorable testimonial for service by the Governor of New Jersey. In January, 1865, he sailed for Amoy, China, under commission from our Board of Foreign Missions. In 1868 he returned home and spent two years in going about among the churches in the interest of the Amoy Mission, In 1870 he went back and resumed his missionary work, but in 1873, broken in health, he was obliged to return permanently. In 1874 he became pastor at Cato, N. Y., in 1876 at Tyre, N. Y., in 1882 at Gallupville, N. Y. In 1886 he accepted a call to Ulster Park, where he remained until 1892, when he became the first pastor of the Church of Bath-on-the-Hudson. This new enterprise was then under most discouraging circumstances, being only a feeble nucleus of a church, and without a building. By the most persevering and untiring efforts, Mr. Van Doren

organized a Church and succeeded in the erection of a fine edifice, completed without a dollar of debt. And it is to be remarked that no part of the money was raised by socials, fairs, excursions, or any such method for building or furnishing. In the spiritual interests of the Church, Mr. Van Doren's efforts were as successful, his congregation being composed of the best class of citizens, and zealous in all Church work. "He was a man of mild and pleasing demeanor, a good neighbor and citizen, and probably never had a personal enemy in his life. His good work at Bath is an enduring monnment to his memory for all time to come."

The Rev. J. Lansing Pearse, of the Classis of Albany, died November 6th, 1898. Mr. Pearse was born at Niskayuna, N. Y., October 9th, 1829, graduated from Union College in 1849, and from Princeton Seminary in 1856; he was licensed immediately by the Classis of Schenectady, He was ordained pastor of the Church of Hegeman's Mills in the same year by the Classis of Montgomery. In 1860 he was called to the Second Reformed Church of Bethlehem, which he served for thirty-eight years, until the day of his death. For twenty-seven years he was the faithful, trusted, efficient Stated Clerk of the Classis of Albany. In 1897 that Classis paid him the singular honor of publishing the sermon which he then preached before them, with a fine portrait of him, and this official testimonial: "Whereas, our beloved Stated Clerk, the Rev. J. Lansing Pearse, of Delmar, has served the Classis of Albany for the past twenty-six years in so faithful and courteous a manner, we recognize it as our duty as well as our great pleasure to make mention of the same, both through the Church press and on the records of Classis. Therefore, we extend to our Stated Clerk at this time our heartiest congratulations on this thirty-seventh anniversary of his membership in the

Classis, as well the same extended period in the pastorate of the Delmar Reformed Church, or the Second Church of Bethlehem. We also desire to testify our appreciation of his services during the twenty-six years that he has served the Classis as Stated Clerk. In all the Churches of the Classis, his presence has been most welcome and inspiring, while his prayers have been signally answered in the outpouring of God's spirit on many and many a home and church. We who have known his steadfastness of purpose, his purity of aim and endeavor, his fidelity to the Lord, his enthusiasm for the whole Church, have been quickened and morally impressed by his presence and speech. Our prayer for him to-day is that God may spare him for years of further usefulness to His glory and the salvation of many souls." The Classis is to be greatly commended in that it gave him this wreath instead of waiting—after the usual manner—to lay it on his grave. Mr. Pearse was highly favored in that he was permitted to labor with the full force of his ability up to the very last. He preached twice that day, with his usual vigor and comfort, and then—after an hour or two of pain in the night, he was not for God took him. In a memorial sermon preached a few weeks afterward, in the pulpit he had left desolate, by his nephew, the Rev. R. A. Pearse, some of his prominent characteristics were specified as 'his common sense,' 'his clearness,' 'his method,' and 'his equanimity.' These, sanctified by an unction from the Holy One, indeed made him what he was.

The Rev. Uriah Marvin, of the Classis of Saratoga, died in Troy, N. Y., November 18th, 1898. He was born in Albany in 1816. He studied three years in Williams College but graduated at Union in 1835. He was admitted an attorney-in-law in 1838. After practicing a little while he was moved to study for the ministry and graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1846.

He was ordained and installed pastor of the Reformed Church of Greenwich, N. Y. in 1848. Here he remained until 1855, when he accepted a call to the Reformed Church, corner of Bleeker and Amos Sts., New York City. His last charge was the Church of Nyack, from 1860 to 1870. During the later years of his life, he was in ill health, and was not often able to attend the ecclesiastical gatherings of the denomination, but he always took great interest in whatever concerned the Church and the Kingdom of our Lord throughout the world. He leaves behind him many kind and pleasant memories of Christian service.

The Rev. Henry Miller, D. D., of the Classis of Albany, died—also suddenly—January 27th, 1899, aged 67 years. He was born in Saxony, educated at Leipsic, and was pastor first in Dresden. He came to this country in 1880, and became pastor of the Church in Callicoon, N. Y. In 1888 he was called to the Fourth (German) Church in Albany, where he remained until his death. He was instrumental in building the present beautiful edifice of that Church, and had the greater joy of seeing it grow spiritually, twenty-six being added to it on confession in the last year of his ministry. He was greatly beloved by his people, and his last ministerial service was to visit some sick parishioners on the other side of the Hudson.

The Rev. Benjamin C. Lippencott, of the Classis of Ulster, died in the city of Kingston, January 29th, 1899. He was born at Hoboken, N. J., graduated from Rutgers College in 1847, and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1850. He was licensed by the Classis of New York immediately, and in that same year was ordained pastor of the Church of Hurley, which, with Marbletown, he served until 1866. He was pastor of the Church of Clarkstown from 1866 to 1872, of Walkill Valley from 1872 to

1877. In 1877 he became pastor of North and South Hampton, and afterward of Port Ewen, where he resigned about a year before his death, and retired to make his home in Kingston. He was an excellent preacher of the gospel of the Saviour whom he loved, and a faithful and very successful pastor. It was his joy to welcome many souls into the kingdom in his successive pastorates, often in considerable numbers together, and he gave up the work in which his soul delighted only when the weight of years began to press heavily. And when his work was done the Master did not keep him waiting long for the crown of righteousness which He had promised.

These all died in faith, having received the promises for the blessed life of service which now is, and being persuaded of those which are yet to come in the rest which remaineth for the people of God.

Respectfully submitted,

J A. DeBaun.

On the Treasury.

Your Committee on the Treasurer's Account, would report having examined the vouchers and receipts of the accounts, and find the same correct. We recommend the same assessment on the Classes as last year.

Geo. Macardel,

Chairman.

The Treasurer's Report.

Received.		
Balance from last year	$ 88 30	
Dues from Classis of Albany	28 00	
" " Greene	14 00	
" " Rensselaer	17 00	
" " Montgomery	31 00	
" " Saratoga	16 00	
" " Ulster	23 00	
" " Rochester	11 00	
" " Schenectady	21 00	
" " Schoharie	10 00	
		$259 30
Expended.		
Paid Sexton at Cohoes	$ 5 00	
Paid Salary of Stated Clerk	75 00	
Paid expenses of Rev. J. G. Gebhard	3 54	
Paid Schenectady Union Co. for Minutes	87 00	
		$170 54
Balance to new account		$ 88 76

On Missions.

Your Committee on Missions would respectfully report as follows: Only one matter has come before the committee, namely, that of the Synodical Missionary. This office was inaugurated some ten years ago for the purpose of looking out and looking after destitute communities within the bounds of the Synod, and establishing new churches where suitable openings were found. It seems also to have contemplated an oversight of destitute and feeble churches.

Your committee feels that this work has been fairly looked after by the Synodical Missionary, and that he has labored faithfully during all the years of his service. The committee has examined the last report of the Rev. Mr. Enders, and given it due consideration.

We have also carefully noticed the action of the Classis of Schoharie, and the letter from the Board of Domestic Missions, suggesting the abolishing of this office of Synodical Missionary. While according hearty commendation of Bro. Enders for faithful labor,

your committee feels that the call and necessity for this office and work is no longer needed, and therefore recommend that the office be terminated at the expiration of the present year of service, and the Missionary be no longer employed. Your committee recommends that the work of the Missionary be relegated to the various Classes of Synod, each to look after and supply the vacant fields within its bounds.

S. W. ROE,
Chairman.

On Synodical Minutes.

Your Committee on Synodical Minutes respectfully reports that there has been placed in their hands the Minutes of the General Synod of 1898, and the Minutes of the Particular Synods of New Brunswick, New York, Albany and Chicago for the same year. Upon examination we find that there is but one matter to which we call the attention of this Synod, found on page 96 of the Minutes of General Synod for 1898, and which reads as follows: "That General Synod urges upon all the Churches in the Particular Synods the making of an annual offering for the current expenses of the Seminary."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. J. BLEKKINK,
Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee on Classical Minutes reports that they have examined all the books of minutes, and find them regular in form and matter.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. WINNE.
Chairman.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Your Committee respectfully reports as follows: There has been placed in our hands an appeal on the part of Mr. Daniel Yanney of the Reformed Church of Ephratah, N. Y., from the decision of the Classis of Montgomery, regarding certain complaints and grievances made by Daniel Yanney against the pastor of the Church of Ephratah, N. Y., accompanied by affidavits from certain ones of said church; also a copy of the action of the Classis of Montgomery in the case; also the Book of Minutes of the Church of Ephratah.

After carefully examining all the documents in the case, also several members of the Consistory of the Church of Ephratah, and the pastor, your committee conclude that while there was some irregularity in the proceedings of the Consistory of the Church of Ephratah in the matter of the suspension of Daniel Yanney, yet, inasmuch as these irregularities were admitted by the Consistory, and in large measure corrected, as recorded in the book of minutes, which correction has been deemed sufficient both by the Classis of Montgomery, and by your committee, and inasmuch as there appears to be no substantial gronnds for the other complaints and grievances, we therefore recommend that the action of the Classis of Montgomery be sustained.

PHILIP T. PHELPS,
Chairman.

On the State of Religion.

The Committee on the State of Religion in this Particular Synod would respectfully present the followirg report:

Your committee had presented for their examination the written reports of all the Classes ; also their statistical tables and lists of ministerial changes, which they have examined with as much care as the short time would permit.

We find that the number of churches within the bounds of the Synod is 149, an increase of two churches, (that at Buffalo, in Classis of Montgomery, and that of "The Church of the Faithful" in the Classis of Ulster. Connected with the various classes are 156 ministers, of whom 40 are without charge.

During the year eleven pastoral relations have been dissolved, 21 ministers have been received from other ecclesiastical bodies, 17 installations have occured and 5 faithful servants have entered into their heavenly rest. The statistics on the whole indicate a fairly prosperous condition of most of the churches. Though some seem to show a slow decline in numeral strength, others and not a few evidence a marked growth, so that your committee feels justified in reporting advance along nearly the whole line.

This will be more clearly seen by comparison of the statistics of this year with those of last year.

Last year the number of families reported in connection with the churches was 12,433; this year there are 12,590, a gain of 157.

Last year the number of additions to the various churches on confession of faith was 794; this year 938, an increase of 144; the number then received on certificate was 446; now 483, a gain of 39.

The dismissions last year were 405, this year only 284; and the deaths then 361, but this year they were 411.

We find, on subtracting the total number of dismissions and deaths from the total number of accessions last year, there was a net gain of 494, while the net gain this year is 726.

In the matter of benevolence to our denominational objects, we are forced to report a small decrease instead of gain, since last year the amount then contrib-

uted was $32,486 and this year it is $32,156, a decrease of $330.

There is a much larger decrease seen in the offerings to other objects, viz.,that of $1,194. The column for congregational expenses shows that the churches have much more liberally contributed to home work, there being an advance of $14,604 reported for this object.

Your committee feels justified in reporting that a good degree of success has attended the labors of the churches, and this success calls for devout gratitude to God, while it should encourage us to go forward, expecting great things and doing our very best that our expectations may be fully realized. We have gathered the following facts from the reports of the Classes and the Churches.

Classis of Albany.

There are 18 ministers and 18 churches in this Classis. During the year two ministers have been received, two have been installed, and two others, after long and faithful service, have entered into their rest.

This Classis records its gratitude to Almighty God for the general religious condition of the churches, "although none of them have been visited by a widespread revival spirit." The various departments of church work show commendable activity. With comparatively few exceptions, the Sunday Schools and Missionary Societies evidence interest of a marked character.

An examination of the statistical tables shows an increase of 62 in the number of families, a net gain of 53 members; an increase in the enrollment of the Sunday Schools of 191, and the marked gain in contributions to denominational objects of $1,017.96, and the large sum of $9,663.39 more than last year for Congregational purposes. Thus we learn that this Classis has made a good record for itself.

It records with much sorrow the loss by death of Rev. J. L. Pearse, for 38 years a member of the Classis, and for 27 years its Stated Clerk; also of Rev. Henry Miller, for nearly 11 years a member of the Classis. "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

From the respective churches we gather the following facts:

First Albany—This Church reports a year of blessings, also of sorrow and loss. "Twenty joined the Church on confession of faith and a deep religious interest is manifest, especially among the young people. This year has exceeded the contributions of last year to the Boards of the Church. An unusually large number of the membership have been removed by death."

Madison Avenue, Albany—Reports a year of many labors, multiplied experiences, constant worship, with many excellent results. All the church organizations have done vigorous and successful work. The statistical table shows a gain of 12 families. The Olevet Mothers' Mission connected with this church has reached the limit of its capacity and a number of applicants had to be turned away. Its contributions for benevolent work are in excess of those of last year.

Third Albany—This church, which has to struggle with many adverse circumstances, "sends a very hopeful report," having paid a debt, and beautified and renovated their building at a cost of $1,400, which has been paid. The Sunday School room is now being repaired; spiritual prosperity has also attended the faithful preaching of the gospel, 20 persons having joined the church on confession of faith.

Fourth Albany—This Church met with a severe loss in the death of its beloved pastor, the Rev. Henry Miller. Owing to this, complete statistics of the church are not given.

Holland Albany—Peace and harmony, temporal and spiritual prosperity, are noted in the report of this church. The church has had a healthy growth during the year.

Sixth Albany—Though an infant church it has made a good beginning. It has increased during the year to 43 members, and the Sabbath School now numbers 212. Plans for a new church have been decided upon and the building will be erected during the summer.

First Bethlehem—Substantial gains are reported, church debt decreased, and excellent prospects for growth. Fourteen members added to the church roll, but benevolent offerings show a slight decrease.

Second Bethlehem—This church has been greatly afflicted by the death of its devoted and beloved pastor, who had labored among them for 38 years. The statistics of this church show a very healthy condition, and great reaping after the faithful seed sowing. Sixteen have joined the church on confession. It has a new pastor.

Second Berne—Reports growth and spiritual progress under the faithful labors of its pastor.

Knox—This church has grown in numbers until it is now larger than at any time in its history of nearly 100 years. The result of special meetings is 16 additions to the church roll, well attended prayer meetings and well maintained organizations.

Clarksville—From the statistics given, it is evident that this church appears to be losing in membership, and in Sunday School enrollment.

Coeymans—While this church reports "no new or notable features in church life," it tells of its church building being repaired and beautified at a cost of about $2,500.

Jerusalem—Reports that it began the year with a

discouraging outlook, but during the last three months the prospects have brightened. Gifts to some objects have increased; the C. E. Society has grown in interast.

New Baltimore—This church has had a year of steady progress, with an increase in membership of church and Sunday School, and of contributions to benevolent objects. It has met all its financial obligations.

New Salem—Reports slight decrease in church membership.

Union Church—The good word from this church is that the young people are awakened and the prospects are bright.

Westerlo—The light of this church seems to be going out, and no interest is manifest by its officers. This church may be soon extinct.

Classis of Greene.

The report on the state of religion in this Classis is very short, From it we gather that the past year "has been an uneventful one in the history of the several churches."

Without exception the Consistorial reports breathe the spirit of trust and faith in God and his promises. The Sunday School work is said to be encouraging and there are active young people's societies in some of the churches.

In the matter of benevolence, the reports do not show any marked changes over last year. There is no report of the work in the separate churches given by its committee, but from the statistical reports of the churches, your committee learns that while there are less families reported this year than last, there is a good increase in membership, especially in the churches of *Athens*, *Catskill* and *First Coxsackie*.

There is also a small increase of benevolence and a

very large increase in contributions for congregational objects. Your committee is of the opinion that the condition of the churches in the Classis of Greene is better than reported.

Classis of Montgomery.

Thirty-four churches, (an increase of one church) and 38 ministers, (an increase of 4 ministers) are reported by this Classis this year. Three ministers have been received in its membership, one installed, and three pastoral relations dissolved. None have been dismissed to other fields. The report given by this Classis is very encouraging. There has been a gain of 59 families and 39 communicants. The total number received into the membership is 195, being a gain of 74 over the loss by dismissals and death. It reports $4,714 given for benevolent objects, which is $536 less than the amount of last year. There are six vacant churches in this Classis.

Your committee present some items gathered from each of the church reports.

Amsterdam First—This church has carried forward a quiet work. Its Sabbath School is flourishing and contributes largely to benevolence. The contributions to benevolent church support are larger than those of last year.

Amsterdam Trinity—A gain in numbers and influence is reported; increase also in benevolent contributions. The spiritual condition is healthy.

Buffalo—This church has just completed its first year and evidences much that is encouraging. The congregation has raised $1,075 as a building fund and the membership has been augmented by 20 persons.

Canajoharie—This church reports that its spiritual life is widening and deepening and there is a good spiritual interest manifest. An unusually large number of deaths are reported.

Columbia—This church is expecting a pastor.

Cranesville—Reports preaching by neighboring ministers.

Currytown—This church is enjoying a quickening of spiritual life and thanks God and takes courage.

Ephratah—Records a fine moral and financial basis with a hopeful outlook.

Florida—The twenty-fifth anniversary of its pastor was lovingly remembered by congregation. Strong ties bind its pastor and people.

Fonda—Less worldliness and deeper spirituality is manifest by this church. Large spiritual results expected in the near future, by reason of faithful preaching of its pastor.

Fort Plain—Encouraging signs of spiritual life and growth are recorded by the consistory of this church. Its statistical table shows a decrease in number of families and membership, the result of revision of roll; the addition of nine to its membership and a large increase in contributions for church support over that of last year.

Fultonville—A growth in faith and hope, rather than increase in members, a good financial foundation and all organizations active, is the good word from the church at Fultonville.

Glen—A natural growth reported, though statistics show seven added to membership and a good increase of contributions for denominational objects over that of last year.

Hagaman—Seriously affected by business condition of the village, yet shows increase of seven in its membership and also of its benevolence.

Herkimer—Much faithful work reported. The church and mission boards remembered. Hopefulness is expressed by this church report.

Mapletown—Good results expected from the Home Department of the Sunday School lately organized.

Mohawk—No report.

Owasco—While the church regrets the meager gifts to missions it reports financial prosperity.

St. Johnsville—Spiritual benefit from special meetings is reported by this church. Church attendance increasing; excellent work done in Sunday School and Christian Endeavor society.

Syracuse First—The people of this church have been loyal and rendered financial aid to the extent of church need. An increase of 25 families is reported. A decrease, however, in the amount of benevolence for denominational objects from that given last year; a large increase in contributions for church support.

Syracuse Second—The Woman's Missionary and Ladies' Aid Societies have given substantial aid in meeting church expenses. The report shows a loss of ten families during the year.

Thousand Islands—The condition of this church is good along nearly all lines of work.

Utica—A fine financial basis has been established by the church at Utica, but the cause of denominational benevolence has severely suffered this year. The Board of Trustees has been dissolved and the affairs of the church placed under the control of the consistory. A wise action, your committee thinks.

West Leyden—Through the activity of the Sunday School there has been an increase in benevolence. The church statistics are about the same as last yeàr.

Classis of Rensselaer.

The Classis of Rensselaer numbers 14 churches and 17 ministers, of whom three are without charge. The report of the state of religion in this Classis shows there has been an awakening in nearly all the churches

and as the result of that awakening 177 have been added to the church rolls. This is the largest number added in a single year for the last 10 years. The present number of church members is 2,241. The churches showing the largest accessions are: Chatham, 19; Schodack Landing, 53; Schodack, 42; Stuyvesant Falls, 32. Notwithstanding this large increase in church membership there has been a falling off of 100 in the Sabbath Schools, which is certainly anamolous where there is a a large increase in spiritual life and of accessions to the churches. There has been a marked decrease in gifts to denominational objects, though a majority of the churches show an increase in offerings to Foreign and Domestic Missions. Therefore it is evident that the other objects of benevolence have been much neglected.

The detailed report of the churches is as follows:

Bath-on-the-Hudson—Although this church has been without the care of a regular pastor for nearly a year, by the removal of Rev. J. Howard Van Doren to the rest of Heaven, yet there has been no loss in membership. Two were received on confession and two on certificate and its offerings for denominational objects exceed those for last year.

Blooming Grove—Reports nothing startling but a better church spirit than last year. Its statistical report shows a small decrease in the number of families, a large decrease in contributions to benevolent objects and a revision of its roll which strikes 23 members from it.

Castleton—This church reports shade and sunshine, but the sunshine follows the shade. At the opening of the year the church was much depressed by the dark business condition of the village. Business has brightened and the church rejoices in its prospects. There has been an increase of 10 members, a small decrease in benevolence, but a marked increase in church spirit.

Chatham—The work in this church is reported very satisfactory. A fine new church is one of the certainties of the near future. There is a net gain of 21 members, but a material loss in the amount of gifts to benevolence, though the congregation has largely increased its contributions for self support.

First Ghent—Reports a year of ordinary blessing and mourns that not more than two have been added on confession of faith. The benevolent contributions show an increase over those of the last few years.

Second Ghent—This church has had a quiet, yet prosperous year. Unusual interest has been manifested in Foreign Missions. Its benevolence has doubled this year.

Greenbush—This church has had a quiet and uneventful year. Decrease in the amount given to benevolence is noticeable, which is accounted for by reason of so many stormy Sundays. The introduction of systematic beneficience will to a great degree remedy this, is the opinion of your committee.

Kinderhook—The statistics of this church indicate loss in communicants. While the aggregate in the denominational column shows a decrease in benevolent contributions, nevertheless the offerings for missions slightly exceed those of last year. It is a pleasure for your committee to note that the 24th of this month will complete the 35th year of the present pastorate, the longest in the history of the church. Since the beginning of this pastorate more than 300 persons have been received into membership, and over $60,000 given for benevolent purposes.

Nassau—The regular work of this church has been interrupted during the year by the removing and settlement of a pastor. Rev. J. Perry Beaver, after years of faithful work, accepted a call to Buffalo in July, 1898, and in January, 1899, Rev. Geo. D. Lydecker

entered upon the work. The report of the church shows well attended services and a hopeful spirit.

New Concord—This church is supplied by Rev. A. B. Woolsey. Its Christian Endeavor Society gave $10 for Foreign Missions.

Schodack—"This year has witnessed both spiritual and material improvement," says its consistory. The report shows an addition of 42 persons on confession of faith, largely the result of special services during last February. A great decrease is noticeable in the number in attendance at the Sunday School. There were 110 last year; this year only 65. There is a slight increase in amount given for benevolence and congregational purposes. The church building has been thoroughly repaired and the present prospects of the church are very hopeful.

Schodack Landing—This church has the large ingathering of 53 from the world besides seven by letter from other churches. Its Sunday School has increased and also its benevolent offerings; two good evidences of real spiritual growth.

Stuyvesant—The good news from this church is progress all along the line. The membership has increased one-third and the attendance on Divine services in the same proportion, but the contributions to benevolent objects are about the same as last year. A healthy condition is reported.

Stuyvesant Falls—This church is reported in a healthy condition. Though no mention is made of any special quickening, yet eight have been received on confession. The closing of mills seriously affected the financial condition of the church, therefore its small decrease in contributions to benevolence.

Classis of Rochester.

The Committee on the State of Religion in this Classis rejoices to say that "we have made advance-

ments all along the line of our church work." We have 26 more families, 17 more communicants, 64 more Sunday School scholars and have increased our contributions $1,028.39.

The report says that "Lodi is the banner church in its contributions to Domestic Missions, having given three times what she gave last year, and that the First Church of Rochester is the banner church on Foreign Missions, giving twice as much as any other church in the Classis." The accessions to the membership of the churches are about the same as last year. The churches of Abbe and East Williamson speak of special interest. The Sabbath Schools are reported as doing good work. Some reports say that the greater part of the contributions come from the Sabbath School.

Woman's Missionary Societies are also doing a noble work.

Your committee has gleaned a few items from individual church reports.

Abbe—The week of prayer was followed by much spiritual good and ingathering.

Arcadia—Feels the need of a church edifice more centrally located and speaks of the need of an English service.

Brighton—A decided interest is manifest in the life of many of its members. A strong missionary spirit prevails in the Sunday School.

Cleveland First—Reports good attendance of Sunday and Prayer meetings.

Clymer Hill—Has met its assessments for Foreign Missions. Its young people are interested in church work.

East Williamson—Reports an ingathering of 13 on confession and 9 by certificate. Also a large increase in benevolence.

Farmer—Reports its Woman's Missionary Societies in a flourishing condition, but statistics show decrease in contributions to benevolence.

Lodi—Quiet work reported. Increase in denominational benevolence; decrease in other benevolence.

Marion—Expresses gratitude to God because of his presence. This church has contributed five times as much for Domestic Missions as it did last year, increased also its offerings to Foreign Missions and paid off an ugly debt on the the church of five hundred dollars.

New York Mills—Shows an increase in number of families, of members and of benevolence.

Ontario—Reports 11 added to the church.

Palmyra—Reports 7 additions to the church.

Pultneyville—Evidences a normal religious condition. The young people desire English preaching in the morning and Dutch in the afternoon, thus evidencing the American tendency of this church.

First Rochester—While this church reports $853 given to benevolent objects, only $331 was for denominational purposes. This church reports that most of their young people unite with English speaking churches, showing the importance of a service in English.

Second Rochester—The growth of this church has been intensive rather than extensive, although 9 were added to the church. Offerings to benevolent objects of the denomination are larger than last year.

Tyre—The benevolent contributions speak well for this small church.

Classis of Saratoga.

This Classis has 13 churches and 15 ministers, of whom 6 are without charge.

During the year 4 ministers have been received, 4 installed and two dismissed to other fields.

The Committee on State of Religion in the churches in this Classis assert that "all the ten churches which have pastors are in a vigorous condition." The other three churches without pastors are seriously affected. An examination of the statistics of these churches reveals that only two make mention of more than ordinary additions to their membership. Buskirks reports 10; Wynantskill, 35. The latter church additions are the result of the visit of an Evangelist, when large accessions are expected.

A comparison of this year's statistics with those of last year shows a slight loss in the number of families, number of Sunday School scholars, and a much greater loss in contributions for benevolent work of the church, with only a slight gain in the total membership.

The following are some of the items of interest in the individual churches:

Boght—Rejoices in a pipe organ, the gift of friends.

Buskirks—The gifts to benevolence of over $2.00 per member places it at the head in this respect.

Cohoes—Reports the formation of a Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip and a year of steady work; an increase of 15 members; also increase of benevolence.

Easton—Though pastorless the little church is loyal and is endeavoring to own a parsonage.

Fort Miller—Reports a good Sunday School. It has only a supply for its pulpit.

Gansevoort—Is in a good spiritual condition.

Greenwich—Reports harmony and good health, but a decrease in outside benevolence.

Saratoga—Reports progress in nearly all departments of church work. A fine new parsonage is completed. Denominational benevolence in consequence is not so large this year as last.

West Troy (North)—Seventy families less are reported this year than last. Nevertheless the number of members is about the same as last year. The gifts for denominational objects is much less this year, also the contributions for congregational objects.

West Troy (South)—Reports increased attendance and growing interest in missions. Its handsome brick structure was destroyed by fire January 8, 1899, but the congregation hope to rebuild.

Wynantskill—Many spiritual and temporal blessings have been enjoyed by this people during the year. Debt no longer burdens them, a large addition has been made to the membership, new societies have been formed and the plan of systematic giving has been adopted.

Classis of Schenectady.

All the churches of this Classis state that the year has been one of encouragement.

The accessions to their membership are more than last year by 83. Forty families have been added. The total net increase in communicants is 93. Fewer baptisms by 23 have been administered. While there are three less Sunday Schools reported the enrollment is 27 more. There has been a slight gain in contributions for denominational objects. The contributions for congregational purposes are $668 less than last year, but $4,598 were given last year for repairs and debts, etc., so that the fact is that $3,930 more have been raised this year for regular congregational purposes than were raised last year.

An examination of the totals show that in nearly all respects the churches of this Classis have had a prosperous year.

Fourteen churches and fourteen ministers are enrolled in this Classis, of whom 10 are in the pastorate. Since the beginning of this year one minister has been re-

ceived, one licensed, one installed, three dismissed to other fields of labor and one has died.

The reports as given by the separate churches are summarized as follows:

Altamont—Altamont is rapidly canceling the debt on its church.

Amity—The report shows similar conditions to those of last year. It moves forward in a very quiet way.

Bellevue—Reports a new parsonage, reduction of debt, large additions to the communicants and large increase in denominational offerings.

First Glenville—Shows a material decrease in membership, on account of revision of roll, but an increase in benevolence.

Second Glenville—Report shows decrease in number of families, addition of 7 members, loss of 8, decrease in amount of benevolence and marked increase in contributions for church support.

Helderberg—Speaks of loss by death of liberal church supporters. It reports 12 families less this year, a slight decrease in benevolence, but a payment of $300 on its church debt.

Lisha's Kill—Eighteen have been received into the membership of the church during the year and $600 have been raised for church repairs.

Mont Pleasant—This church has had a good year. Its Sunday School has largely increased, a Junior Endeavor has been formed and the interest in missions is increasing.

Niskayuna—Reports 9 additions to its membership; increase in Sunday School attendance and in benevolent and congregational contributions.

Princetown—Is pastorless, yet has added 16 to membership; lost 12.

Rotterdam First—Reports progress.

Rotterdam Second—The church has orgaanized Pastor's Aid Society and a Young Ladies' Missionary Band; increased its missionary offerings and paid over $500 on church debt.

Schenectady First—Has had a year of growth in both spiritual and temporal things. Twenty-eight were added to the church roll; ten were removed from it by dismissions and death. It has contributed $100 less to benevolence and over $2,000 less for congregational purposes.

Schenectady Second—Forty-seven have been added to this church on confession of faith and 27 by letter, and 20 have been removed from the roll by death and dismissions. A slight increase is shown in the column for benevolence.

Classis of Schoharie.

This Classis has 17 churches and three of which are vacant, and 14 ministers of whom five are without charge. During the year two ministers have been received, and two granted letters of dismission. Many of the churches report a year of prosperity, a few, more than ordinary successful ingathering. Special mention may be made of the church at Middleburgh which while, it reports a decrease of eight families, reports also an ingathering of 14 persons, and a material increase in denominational benevolence.

A comparison of the aggregates in the statistical report of the churches of this year with that of last year, shows while there seems to be advance, yet after all there are less families, a smaller number of additions, that the total in communion is less, a smaller number of scholars in the Sabbath Schools, and a material decrease in the amounts contributed for benevolent and congregational purposes.

Your committee gathers a few facts from each church, which are added to the general report.

Berne—Reports progress. All objects of denominational benevolence remembered. Contribution taken for support of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick.

Beaverdam—Every Board and Fund of our Denomination remembered by this church.

Breakabeen—Has lost its pastor. This church is in good condition.

Central Bridge—Reports its debt on the new parsonage paid.

Cobleskill—Has bright prospects. Its new pastor is energetic. A new parsonage will be erected this summer.

Gilboa—Much good work has been done during the year but little contributed to benevolent objects.

Grand Gorge—Shows a steady growth along several lines.

Howe's Cave—Severe losses by death and removals reported.

Lawyersville—With its new pastor it is very hopeful. Intends erecting a parsonage the coming year.

Middleburgh—Reports 30 accessions; large increase in benevolence, and deeper spiritual interest.

North Blenheim—Is without a pastor. The past year has witnessed an onward movement.

Prattsville—Large increase in its membership, also in amount of church support.

Schoharie—The church is doing most excellent work. It has remembered all the Denominational objects, also the Bible society.

Sharon—Reports growth in strength, a few additions, and the making of needed repairs on church and parsonage.

Classis of Ulster.

This Classis has 16 churches, three of which are without settled pastors. It has 16 ministers, four of whom are without charge. It has received two ministers and installed them. It has also dissolved two pastoral relations, and lost by death Rev. B. C. Lippincott so long a valued member of that body.

The report on the state of religion says that "a survey of our churches exhibits a spirit of unity in every congregation, with perhaps about the usual degree of spiritual interest. We regret that the mournful influence of the times is reflected in our columns of benevolence."

We sadly miss the presence, the affectionate counsels and faithful co-operation of our beloved brother, the Rev. B. C. Lippincott. His memory will long be cherished and his infiuence go down through many generations.

A comparison of the statistical report of this Classis with that of last year shows there has been a small gain in the number of families and in the membership of the churches; an increase in Sunday School attendance, but a decrease of 300 in contributions for our Denominational work.

We find also one more church connected with the Classis, "The Church of the Faithful," organized Nov. 30, 1898, and having 31 families and 27 members. May it ever be worthy of its name.

In scanning the report of each of the churches as given by the committee, we see the following statements :

Blue Mountain—Adds 12 to its membership. Last year its denominatonal column was blank, this year it is not.

Church of the Comforter—Reports six additions and increased benevolence.

Esopus—Five additions to membership, a loss of 34 in Sunday School and large decrease in offerings to the Lord reported.

Jay Gould Memorial—All branches of work in this church are in good condition ; general benevolence increased, yet a large decrease in offerings to our boards as compared with last year is noticeable.

Katsbaan—Maintains its record for benevolence at home and abroad.

Kingston—Is "in a state of vigorous health and steady prosperity." Its statistical reports shows a net increase in membership of 25. Its denominational benevolence is up to that of last year.

Plattskill—" A year of sowing rather than reaping. Contributions greatly decreased through hard times," is the report.

Saugerties—Reports spiritual condition as prosperous as usual. Thirteen received on confession and five on certificate, a long-standing debt has been paid. "Improvements are contemplated the coming summer."

Port Ewen—Is reported in a flourishing condition. There is an addition of ten families, six members, but the column for Denominational Objects is blank, though $115 is reported for "Other Objects."

West Hurley—"Has finely repaired its church building. The outlook is encouraging.

Respectfully submitted,

D. K. VAN DOREN,

Chairman.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.				POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.				
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.		Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	390	20	16	16	..	19	706	10	1	....	....	1	463	$2,763 92	$ 787 55		$ 9,411 88	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Ave., Albany	Edward G. Selden	314	12	10	14	..	8	531	6	5	....	....	2	638	8,111 46	2,097 01		16,623 43	Albany, N. Y.
Third, Albany	Robert I. Mac Bride	120	20	3	1	..	4	166	7	4	....	....	1	285	46 69	6 00		4,000 00	Albany, N. Y.
Fourth, Albany	Frederick Mueller	80	....	....	....	..	5	120	....	....	....	....	1	181	75 00	.....		1,456 00	Albany, N. Y.
Holland, Albany	J. Van Westenburg, S.C	71	8	2	3	..	1	142	9	....	78	36	1	138	140 77	109 08		1,452 14	Albany, N. Y.
Sixth, Albany	Geo. W. Furbeck	44	10	20	....	..	....	43	2	2	....	....	1	212	29 00	9 00		350 00	Albany, N. Y.
First, Bethlehem	Wm. H. Nasholds	171	14	2	....	..	8	235	4	5	....	....	5	400	98 78	.....		2,457 68	Bethlehem Centre, N. Y.
Second, Bethlehem	C. W. Clowe	100	....	5	2	..	4	241	....	6	....	....	1	156	172 85	.....		1,239 47	Delmar, N. Y.
Second, Berne	Henry Lockwood	77	6	....	....	..	5	138	3	3	....	....	1	130	10 40	.....		751 00	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	Henry Lockwood	67	16	....	1	..	1	98	2	11	....	....	1	56	34 12	.....		585 14	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	H. VanHaagan, S. S.	35	....	....	1	..	1	65	....	....	....	....	1	80	22 00	.....		330 00	New Salem, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrowes	109	3	1	....	..	2	183	1	2	....	....	1	75	111 73	10 00		1,625 45	Coeymans, N. Y.
Jerusalem	T. A. Beekman	85	....	....	....	..	3	132	2	....	47	15	1	59	91 26	10 23		926 63	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Baltimore	J. O. Van Fleet	93	6	9	1	..	4	184	....	2	....	....	1	90	223 83	6 13		1,594 33	New Baltimore, N. Y.
New Salem	H. Van Haagen, S. S.	80	....	1	....	..	5	150	....	....	....	....	1	88	4 29	.....		694 39	New Salem, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant*	40	....	....	....	..	2	50	....	....	....	....	1	60	3 44	.....		150 00	Clarksville, N. Y.
Union	T. A. Beekman, S. S.	30	1	....	....	..	2	20	....	....	....	6	1	38	6 46	.....		200 88	Jerusalem, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant†	30	....	....	....	..	....	74	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....		621 00	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1936	132	69	39	..	74	3278	46	41	125	57	22	3149	$11,946 00	$3,035 00		$44,469 42	

Other Ministers—A. Dickson, Lansingburgh, N. Y.; J. A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore, N. Y.; C. P. Evans, Rensselaer, N. Y.; J. H. Enders, Synodical Superintendent, P. S. A., Fort Hunter, N. Y.

† Report of 1897. No report since that time.

*Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Athens, First	W. N. P. Dailey	155	18	2	5	..	3	193	4	7	32	....	2	175	$ 383 59	$ 30 00	$2,494 69	Athens, N. Y.
Athens, Second	.....	8	....	....	....	..	....	15	....	....	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	75 80	Athens, N. Y.
Catskill, First	W. H. S. Demarest,	205	23	9	3	..	11	505	8	11	....	200	3	260	1,310 37	133 00	†10,049 00	Catskill, N. Y.
Coxsackie, First	Eugene Hill	135	10	5	1	..	5	258	3	5	47	72	1	140	217 80	.....	1,978 51	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Coxsackie, Second	F. S. Barnum, S. C.	140	2	4	6	..	2	301	2	1	20	....	*2	200	833 13	62 42	1,818 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Wm. Davis Ward	72	2	1	....	..	5	180	....	....	75	40	2	76	150 00	....	835 00	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	C. M. Perlee	68	2	2	3	..	3	136	1	2	36	27	1	44	116 82	.....	912 27	Leeds, N. Y.
Total	.....	783	57	23	18	..	29	1588	18	26	210	339	12	895	$3,011 71	$225 42	$18,163 27	

Other Ministers—Andrew Parsons, Palo Alto, Sant Clara Co., California; Walter Winant, Tappan, N. Y. † Debt $5,000 cancelled. *One, Union.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
														Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam, First	J. R. Kyle	102	....	2	4	..	3	155	2	....	....	....	1	302	$ 268 00	$130 00	$2,071 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Amsterdam, Trinity	E. J. Blekkink	80	10	3	3	..	1	125	2	1	....	40	1	232	72 00	35 00	1,238 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	J. C. Boyd, S. S.	43	3	....	....	..	2	80	2	3	1	70	1	70	54 00	18 00	388 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Buffalo	J. Perry Beaver	72	8	12	....	..	1	88	2	....	....	....	1	201	21 00	.....	1,075 00	Buffalo, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Joseph D. Peters	90	6	6	....	..	5	156	3	5	....	....	1	156	178 00	95 00	2,511 00	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Cicero	Vacant	32	6	....	....	..	....	70	....	2	....	....	1	60	5 00	.....	30 00	Cicero, N. Y.
Columbia	Vacant	25	....	....	4	..	4	40	....	....	....	....	1	24	12 00	5 00	175 00	Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville	Vacant	54	3	....	....	..	2	66	....	....	....	....	1	70	47 00	.....	302 00	Cranesville, N. Y.
Currytown	Peter S. Beekman	33	4	2	5	..	....	96	4	3	....	3	1	$60	119 00	25 00	1,050 00	Currytown, N. Y.
Ephratah	Charles L. Palmer	45	2	....	....	..	....	93	3	....	....	....	1	50	12 00	.....	525 00	Ephratah, N. Y.
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	4	1	4	..	3	108	3	3	....	....	1	130	68 00	30 00	900 00	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	John A. De Baun	214	4	4	3	..	10	388	3	2	....	150	2	250	375 00	55 00	2,320 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Supplied	30	4	....	....	..	....	46	5	1	....	30	1	30	4 00	.....	255 00	Fort Herkimer, N. Y.
Fort Plain	E. A. Mc Cullum	185	7	2	3	..	3	*352	21	3	....	200	1	335	345 00	53 00	2,820 00	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	Wm. Schmitz, S. C.	87	3	7	4	..	3	143	....	3	....	104	1	†201	300 00	71 00	1,751 00	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	Raymond A. Lansing.	95	7	....	1	1	3	125	4	5	....	....	1	144	107 00	39 00	1,050 00	Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman	Wm. A. Wurts	77	5	2	....	..	4	128	1	2	100	110	1	125	34 00	.....	942 00	Hagaman, N. Y.
Herkimer	John G. Gebhard	160	3	9	1	..	5	*251	9	2	....	100	1	150	303 00	33 00	† 2,008 00	Herkimer, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY (CONTINUED.)

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Johnstown	John Van Burk	50	4	1	1	1	....	67	3	2	....	....	1	$180	$ 82 00	$ 4 00	$ 600 00	Johnstown, N. Y.
Manheim	Louis H. Bahler, S. S.	42	2	1	....	..	3	35	1	2	....	....	1	41	6 00	.....	300 00	Inghams Mills, N. Y.
Mapletown	John A. Thomson, S.S.	30	....	2	1	..	1	60	....	....	....	....	1	65	25 00	.....	300 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Mohawk	Vacant‡	70	....	....	....	..	....	135	....	....	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	Mohawk, N. Y.
Naumburg	Vacant	18	....	....	....	..	....	35	4	....	....	....	....	.....	50 00	.....	25 00	Naumburg, N. Y.
Owasco	J. A. Rodgers	100	12	....	2	..	5	115	1	11	4	....	2	225	26 00	.....	1,073 00	Owasco, N. Y.
Owasco Outlet	E. W. Florence, P. E.	25	1	1	1	..	2	56	....	1	....	....	1	34	25 00	.....	472 00	Auburn, N. Y.
Point Rock	F. E. Schlieder, S. S.‡	6	....	....	....	..	....	14	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Leyden, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	Charles W. Kinney	130	2	3	2	..	1	240	....	....	....	....	1	240	93 00	170 00	1,764 00	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thomson	50	2	6	1	2	4	*90	5	2	....	....	1	117	57 00	6 00	608 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	Charles L. Palmer	36	....	....	....	..	1	54	3	....	....	....	1	38	26 00	.....	400 00	Ephratah, N. Y.
Syracuse, First	Philip H. Cole	175	15	10	5	..	4	364	1	4	....	235	1	325	623 00	453 00	5,478 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Syracuse, Second	Vacant	35	1	1	....	..	1	64	1	....	36	....	1	130	76 00	21 00	‖ 494 09	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Islands	I. J. Van Hee	70	3	....	1	..	1	76	3	....	....	....	1	104	73 00	167 00	1,218 00	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Peter Crispell	100	....	....	2	..	3	158	1	....	....	80	1	95	519 00	316 00	3,835 00	Utica, N. Y.
West Leyden	F. E. Schlieder	32	1	....	....	..	....	53	5	....	....	....	1	62	69 00	31 00	290 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
Total	Total	2463	122	75	48	1	75	4126	91	58	141	1122	34	4147	$4,174 00	$1,767 00	$38,258 00	

Other Ministers—The Revs. D. Lord, Jordanville, N. Y.; R. R. Williams, 124 St. James Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Prof. Oren Root, Clinton, N. Y.; A. D. Minor, Mohawk, N. Y.; Joel Loucks, McKinley, N. Y.; Philip Furbeck, St. Johnsville, N. Y.; Hervay D. Leland, Paola, Kansas; Wm. H. Shelland, Nelliston, N. Y.; P. O. Wilson, Easton, N. Y.; Ira Van Allen, Syracuse, N. Y.; F. A. Force, Grand Rapids, Mich.; J. B. Thyne, Johnstown, N. Y.; Chas. Maar, Syracuse. N. Y.
Student Candidates—F. V. W. Lehman and Howard Furbeck.

*Revised List. §Including home department. †Including $584 for chapel debt. ‡Including $550 for Church lot. ‖ Including $106 on Church lot.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
														Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath-on-Hudson	A. W. Hopper, P. E.	40	2	2	....	..	3	60	....	1	....	....	1	140	$118 00	.....	$ 496 00	Bath-on-Hudson, N.Y.
Blooming Grove	D. H. Chrestensen, S.S	66	1	....	1	..	1	*99	4	1	....	....	1	66	73 00	2 00	929 00	Defreestville, N. Y.
Castleton, Emmanuel	Eugene E. Thomas	125	7	1	....	..	5	217	3	4	44	....	2	250	50 00	5 00	2,319 00	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Mark A. Denman	115	19	3	2	..	6	240	10	16	....	....	1	190	504 00	81 00	2,838 00	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	Philip T. Phelps	75	2	2	2	..	4	145	1	1	....	....	1	144	258 00	15 00	900 00	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Chas. V. W. Bedford	57	3	1	....	..	4	114	3	2	....	128	1	128	185 00	25 00	873 00	Omi, N. Y.
Greenbush	John Laubenheimer	115	4	1	2	..	7	223	2	1	....	....	1	152	105 00	49 00	1,635 00	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edward A. Collier, S.C	140	....	1	3	..	6	287	2	....	97	50	1	180	1,178 08	158 00	2,340 00	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	Geo. D. Lydecker	120	4	11	4	..	5	216	....	2	....	100	1	150	133 00	28 00	1,560 00	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	A. B. Woolsey, S.S	25	....	....	2	..	....	50	....	....	....	....	1	32	10 00	2 00	308 00	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	Edgar I. Mc Cully	83	42	2	4	..	2	170	4	24	....	....	1	65	130 00	6 00	1,196 00	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Josiah E. Crane	88	53	7	2	..	2	188	4	15	....	75	1	108	130 00	12 00	1,087 00	Schodack Landing, N.Y.
Stuyvesant	DeWitt G. Rockefeller.	65	32	2	2	..	1	143	5	9	....	110	1	118	230 00	.....	862 00	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	Vacant	72	8	....	2	..	2	89	5	2	31	47	1	60	29 00	3 00	664 00	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
	Tota!	1186	117	33	26	..	48	2241	43	78	172	510	15	1783	$3,133 00	$386 00	$18,007 00	

Other Ministers—John B. Drury, Editor *Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. J.; Isaac S. Schenck, New Brunswick, N. J.; Lester Leggett, Kingston, N. Y.

*Revised List.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe	M. Ossewaarde, S.C.	103	16	1	....	..	2	231	5	4	....	48	1	115	$ 173 45	$ 15 57	$856 58	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	Gerrit Dangremond*	70	3	10	3	..	....	150	1	....	140	....	1	75	66 12	.....	491 12	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	D. Lawrence Betten..	75	8	2	5	..	1	144	16	....	150	50	1	200	162 74	10 00	1,350 00	Brighton, N. Y.
Cleveland (First)	Simon M. Hogenboom	48	2	....	....	..	1	88	2	....	100	45	1	90	156 20	90 90	937 63	25 Linden St. Clevel'nd, O
Clymer Hill	P. G. M. Bahler	71	4	....	....	..	5	161	....	....	110	24	1	109	128 92	11 00	769 42	Clymer Hill, N. Y.
East Williamson	Geo. C. Dangremond.	129	13	9	2	..	6	292	7	2	....	....	1	180	175 50	300 00	750 00	East Williamson, N. Y.
Farmer	E. B. Van Arsdale...	*145	1	6	8	..	3	*227	....	1	....	....	1	186	215 49	148 54	‡1,220 00	Farmer, N. Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter	100	1	2	1	..	3	192	2	....	....	....	1	118	239 12	15 00	1,415 85	Lodi, N. Y.
Marion	A. H. Strabbling	148	7	9	6	..	6	322	12	....	320	77	1	248	205 95	39 64	†1,475 00	Marion, N. Y.
New York Mills	J. C. Bergmans	20	4	3	....	..	....	44	6	....	40	30	1	50	25 00	5 00	386 05	New York Mills, N. Y.
Ontario	Gerrit Flikkema	21	3	8	....	..	2	45	1	....	76	....	1	40	7 70	.....	229 00	Palmyra, N. Y.
Palmyra	Gerrit Flikkema	60	2	5	4	..	1	125	5	....	130	45	1	85	15 60	10 00	485 48	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	60	5	3	2	..	3	150	2	....	....	....	1	130	99 30	.....	740 29	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	170	....	1	....	..	7	292	17	....	....	35	1	185	331 18	522 46	$2,307 03	55 Hudson Ave, Rochester
Second Rochester	John Lamar	89	11	8	8	..	....	253	13	2	....	....	1	296	279 03	29 06	2,077 46	44 Birch Crescent, Roch'r
Tyre	Sipko Rederus	30	....	2	....	..	....	54	....	....	20	....	1	55	103 69	23 65	427 42	Malcom, N. Y.
	Total	1339	90	69	38	..	40	2770	89	9	1086	354	16	2162	$2,384 99	$1,226 82	$15,928 33	

Other Ministers—Rev. John Boehrer, 49 Barthell St. Buffalo, N. Y. *Student Candidates*—Abram Den Hollander, Hope College. *Revised List. †$590 on church debt. ‡$200 on church debt. § $600 on church improvements.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	Oliver H. Walser, S.S.	41	2	1	2	..	1	92	....	1	....	....	1	35	$ 48 25	.....	$645 46	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Harris A. Freer.	51	4	6	1	..	....	85	1	4	....	15	1	71	157 53	$15 00	585 26	Buskerks, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser,S.C.	250	13	2	8	..	2	402	10	3	....	....	1	238	621 24	189 12	4,020 38	Cohoes, N. Y.
Easton	Vacant	37	....	4	....	..	1	39	11	....	....	15	1	45	4 00	.....	218 89	No. Easton, N. Y.
Fort Miller	Vacant	50	....	....	5	..	....	114	....	....	....	54	1	60	20 00	13 57	387 54	Fort Miller, N. Y.
Gransevoort	J. C. Forbes	46	....	1	....	..	2	89	....	....	5	....	1	55	28 51	3 00	340 50	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Greenwich	Frank C. Scoville	106	3	3	6	..	4	223	3	3	....	....	1	120	283 22	3 00	1,866 20	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	Vacant	50	....	....	....	..	6	94	....	....	....	30	1	78	61 00	14 30	500 82	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John H. Brandow	91	....	2	1	..	1	193	....	....	....	11	1	135	272 15	85 00	$3,547 95	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	N. Curtis Ficken	44	....	....	1	..	1	65	....	....	....	....	1	75	8 50	9 00	400 00	Reynolds, N. Y.
West Troy, North	C. B. F. Pease	100	3	5	2	..	6	232	7	1	....	....	1	201	170 70	183 42	3,252 36	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Chas. S. Wyckoff	*34	3	4	1	..	1	*45	1	....	....	....	1	46	80 00	.....	1,038 75	West Troy, N. Y.
Wymantskill	Ulysses S. Schaul	55	30	5	....	..	4	122	1	16	....	....	1	‡93	44 00	11 00	+1,779 99	Wynantskill, N. Y.
	Total	955	58	33	27	..	29	1795	34	28	5	125	13	1202	$1,799 10	$526 41	$18,584 10	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. G. Cochran, Schuylerville, N. Y.; Rev. Lyman E. Davis, Sharpsburg, Pa.: Rev. G. E. Macardel, Mechanicville, N. Y.; Rev. John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.: Rev. George I. Taylor, 199 North 3rd Street, Newark, N. J.; Rev. P. A. Wessels, Glenville, N. Y.

§ $2,142.87 for new Parsonage. *Revised List. ‡ Home Department 33. + $525 Church Debt and Buildings.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Altamont	Orville T. Fletcher	90	1	7	1	..	1	132	1	....	25	40	1	95	$ 35 00	$16 00	$1,645 00	Altamont, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	54	....	....	....	....	....	143	....	....	....	175	1	175	49 00	.....	1,110 00	Visscher's Ferry, N.Y.
Bellevue	Robert J. Hogan	65	26	26	....	....	....	91	4	11	17	....	1	191	51 00	9 00	†1,633 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Glenville, First	Robert Rogers	90	....	....	....	..	3	*208	2	....	....	....	1	90	82 00	17 00	¶1,038 00	Glenville, N. Y.
Glenville, Second	M. R. Gordon	75	6	1	2	..	6	174	3	1	....	112	1	208	132 00	34 00	1,629 00	Scotia, N. Y.
Helderberg	George G. Seibert	*100	4	1	2	..	9	*259	....	3	60	80	1	110	43 00	31 00	‡1,263 00	Guilderland Centre, N.Y
Lisha's Kill	C. A. Conant	50	15	3	1	..	1	161	3	3	....	....	2	404	107 00	.....	‖1,480 00	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant	A. B. Herman	63	7	3	....	..	....	74	4	....	46	50	1	202	50 00	7 00	671 00	Schenectady, N.Y.
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars, S. C.	135	5	4	2	..	5	286	9	1	131	140	2	290	502 00	25 00	1,375 00	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Princetown	Vacant	$115	10	6	7	..	5	299	1	3	....	75	1	200	168 00	12 00	1,343 00	Gifford, N. Y.
Rotterdam, First	Alexander Hill	180	2	3	2	..	2	199	5	....	....	....	3	300	127 00	18 00	1,150 00	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Rotterdam, Second	John Calvin Knox	55	5	1	4	..	4	114	3	1	....	....	1	115	58 00	4 00	1,953 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, First	A. C. Sewall	313	10	18	4	..	6	566	8	7	....	....	3	747	1,103 00	168 00	7,953 50	Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, Second	Geo. Edwin Talmage	206	47	27	12	..	8	453	12	20	83	....	1	211	266 00	145 00	4,619 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
	Total	1591	138	100	37	..	50	3159	55	50	362	672	20	3038	$2,773 00	$487 00	$28,862 00	

Other Ministers—Rev. Thos. C. Johnston, suspended: Rev. A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y. *Candidates*—Paul J. Strohauer. †$535.20, on new parsonage. $288.20 on old debt. $90.76 on internal improvements. ‡ $300 on Church debt. ‖ $630 on repairing and carpeting church. ¶ $300 on church debt.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
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Beaverdam	Herbert B. Roberts	60	....	2	....	..	1	104	3	....	....	50	1	60	$ 21 35	....	$ 446 98	Berne, N.Y.
Berne	Herbert B. Roberts	61	....	2	....	1	2	115	....	....	....	70	1	93	212 93	....	748 02	Berne, N.Y.
Breakabeen	Vacant	46	2	....	1	..	1	50	1	....	12	15	1	90	16 88	3 52	375 00	North Blenheim, N.Y.
Central Bridge	James Jongeneel	33	3	2	....	..	....	45	1	1	....	....	1	50	23 43	5 00	346 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Henry Smith	46	2	1	....	..	....	56	....	2	30	28	1	56	15 00	....	416 69	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Supplied	*10	....	....	....	..	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	Eminence, N. Y.
Gallupville	Vacant	*35	....	....	....	..	....	*35	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	John H. Scarlet	62	4	..	....	..	2	120	....	4	....	....	1	74	10 00	....	1,975 00	Gilboa, N. Y.
Grand Gorge	Charles M. Dixon	32	1	....	....	..	....	40	....	....	....	....	1	.. ..	43 83	2 50	334 79	Prattsville, N.Y.
Howe's Cave	James Jongeneel	42	1	....	4	..	1	65	....	....	....	....	1	50	18 31	10 85	435 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	J. Collings Caton	50	6	....	....	..	....	91	....	....	....	....	1	.....	47 25	.....	848 50	Lawyersville, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Charles W. Pitcher	112	26	4	1	..	6	177	1	14	33	....	1	126	143 72	5 00	1,854 26	North Blenheim, N.Y.
North Blenheim	Vacant	46	1	....	3	..	1	47	2	....	12	12	1	45	21 07	1 00	344 00	Middleburgh, N.Y.
Prattsville	Charles M. Dixon	70	24	....	....	..	....	65	....	....	....	....	1	.....	25 00	3 83	549 00	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	William C. Handy	60	3	1	2	..	3	139	2	3	....	....	1	98	146 37	43 50	1,224 83	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Isaac Messler.	50	3	1	....	..	1	77	....	3	....	....	1	42	16 09	2 00	343 80	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	John H. Scarlet, S.S.	22	....	....	....	..	1	49	....	....	....	....	1	40	3 00	.....	125 00	Gilboa, N. Y.
	Total	827	76	13	11	1	19	1288	10	27	87	170	18	880	$764 33	$77 20	$10,366 91	

Other Ministers—Edward Miller, Cobleskill, N. Y., Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y., John S. Lott, 34 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., D. K. Van Doren, S. C. Mechanicville, N. Y., Wm. W. Whitney, North Blenheim, N. Y. * Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	J. Van der Meulen	110	10	2	....	..	2	217	7	2	....	....	2	130	$ 43 04	$ 2 00	$895 69	Fawns, N. Y.
Ch. of Comforter	J. Edgar Winne	90	2	4	....	..	1	175	7	....	68	20	1	275	194 60	35 23	664 44	Kingston, N. Y.
*Ch. of the Faithful	Geo. Neimeyer, S. S.	31	3	19	....	..	....	22	....	....	....	....	1	50	.....	.....	.....	Brown's Station, N. Y.
Esopus	S. T. Cole	50	4	1	....	..	1	169	4	1	106	....	3	320	127 92	.....	993 02	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWitt, S. C.	90	2	6	4	..	1	130	....	....	....	....	1	56	44 00	.....	470 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Jay Gould Memorial	N. H. Demarest	78	5	2	4	..	2	116	2	3	....	....	1	128	185 83	3 00	2,00 00	Roxbury, N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	100	5	....	....	..	6	176	1	2	....	....	1	100	323 80	127 78	1,056 00	Katsbaan, N. Y.
Kingston	John G. Van Slyke	275	15	24	2	..	12	5 3	10	3	....	....	3	350	898 15	100 00	5,626 14	Kingston, N. Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Rowe	158	....	3	2	..	7	220	5	....	....	....	3	249	32 00	27 04	1,400 00	Cockburn, N. Y.
Port Ewen	William Burton	120	5	1	....	..	3	251	1	1	....	....	1	180	.....	115 32	1,142 00	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	200	13	5	5	..	3	310	6	6	....	....	1	125	270 00	75 00	3,550 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandakan	.....	34	....	....	2	..	1	54	....	....	....	....	1	80	16 00	.....	350 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	.....	70	9	1	19	1	3	120	1	6	....	....	1	67	.....	.....	351 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville	.....	.....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley	.....	34	9	2	1	..	2	74	2	4	....	....	1	53	.....	.....	470 91	West Hurley, N. Y.
Woodstock	Clearfield Park	70	4	2	1	..	3	118	2	....	....	....	1	120	35 73	13 90	1,044 05	Woodstock, N. Y.
	Total	1510	86	72	40	1	47	2711	48	28	174	20	22	2283	$2,171 07	$509 27	$20,013 25	

Other Ministers—Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; Wm. A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; Calvin Case, Brodhead, N. Y.; Rufus M. Stanbrough, Kingston, N. Y.

*Organized Nov. 30, 1898.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

CLASSES.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			STATED CLERKS.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	18	18	....	1936	132	16	39	..	74	3278	46	41	125	57	22	3149	$11,946 00	$3,035 00	$44,469 42	J. VanWestenburg.
Greene	7	8	....	783	57	23	18	..	29	1588	18	26	210	339	12	895	3,011 71	225 42	18,163 27	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	34	38	2	2463	122	75	48	4	75	4126	91	58	141	1122	34	4147	4,174 00	1,767 00	38,258 00	Wm. Schmitz.
Rensselaer	14	17	....	1186	177	33	26	..	48	2241	43	78	172	510	15	1783	3,133 C0	386 00	18,007 00	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	16	16	1	1339	90	69	38	..	40	2770	89	9	1086	334	16	2162	2,384 59	1,226 82	15,928 32	Martin Ossewaarde.
Saratoga	13	15	....	954	58	33	27	..	29	1795	34	28	5	125	13	1202	1,799 10	526 41	18,584 10	Oliver H. Walser.
Schenectady	14	14	1	1591	138	100	37	..	50	3159	55	50	362	672	20	3038	2,773 00	487 C0	28,862 00	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	14	....	827	76	13	11	1	19	1288	10	27	87	170	15	830	764 33	77 20	10,366 91	D. K. Van Doren.
Ulster	16	16	....	1510	88	72	40	1	47	2711	48	28	174	20	22	2283	2,170 07	509 27	20,013 00	Richard De Wit.
Total	149	159	4	12590	938	483	284	6	411	22956	434	345	2362	3349	169	19489	$32,156 20	$8,240 12	$212,752 28	

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Received.

Rev. H. Van Haagen, from the Classis of New York, Reformed Church of the United States, Nov. 14, 1898.

Rev. C. W. Clowe, from the Classis of Saratoga, April 19, 1899.

Installed.

Rev. Geo. W. Furbeck, over the Sixth church of Albany, May 16, 1898.

Rev. J. O. Van Fleet, over the church at New Baltimore, May 10, 1898.

Died.

Rev. J. Lansing Pearse, Nov. 7, 1898.

Rev. Henry Miller, Ph. D., Jan. 27, 1899.

Classis of Montgomery.

Received.

Rev. J. Perry Beaver, from the Classis of Rensselaer, July 4, 1898.

Rev. J. B. Thyne, from the Classis of Schenectady, April 17, 1899.

Rev. E. W. Florence, from the Presbytery of Cayuga, April 17, 1899.

Installed.

Rev. J. Perry Beaver, over the church of Buffalo, Sept. 29, 1898.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. Ira Van Allen and the church of Mohawk, Oct. 1, 1898.

Between Rev. F. A. Force and the church of Owasco Outlet, Nov. 1, 1898.

Between Rev. Chas. Maar and the church of Second Syracuse, April 17, 1899.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Received.

Rev. Dewitt G. Rockefeller, from the Classis of Schoharie, Oct. 4, 1898.

Rev. D. H. Chrestensen, from the Classis of Newark, Jan. 26, 1899.

Rev. Geo. D. Lydecker, from the Classis of Hudson, Jan. 26, 1899.

Rev. Lester Leggett, a Baptist minister, on his credentials and after examination as required, April 18, 1899.

Installed.

Rev. Dewitt G. Rockefeller, over the church of Stuyvesant, Oct. 4, 1898.

Rev. Geo. D. Lydecker, over the church of Nassau, Jan. 26, 1899.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. J. Perry Beaver and the church of Nassau, N. Y., July 1, 1898.

Between Rev. A. W. Hopper and the church of Stuyvesant Falls, April 18, 1899.

Dismissed.

Rev. J. Perry Beaver, to the Classis of Montgomery, July 1, 1898.

Rev. John F. Shaw, to the Presbytery of Chemung, July 1, 1898.

Died.

Rev. J. Howard Van Doren, June 6, 1898.

Classis of Rochester.

Received.

Rev. John Lamar, from the Classis of Michigan, July 20, 1898.

The Candidate G. Flikkema, from the Classis of Wisconsin, Aug. 17, 1898.

Ordained.

The Candidate Geo. C. Dangremond, May 25. 1898.
The Candidate G. Flikkema, Aug. 17, 1898.

Installed.

Rev. Geo. C. Dangremond, over the church of East Williamson, May 25, 1898.

Rev. John Lamar, over the church of Second Rochester, July 20, 1898.

Rev. G. Flikkema, over the combined churches of Palmyra and Ontario, Aug. 17, 1898.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Received.

The Candidate Henry B. Allen, from the Classis of Newark.

The Candidate Harris A. Freer, from the Classis of Ulster.

The Candidate H. C. Ficken, from the Classis of Long Island.

Rev. Chas. S. Wyckoff, from the Classis of Philadelphia.

Installed.

The Candidate Henry B. Allen, over the church of Easton, June 21, 1898.

The Candidate Harris A. Freer, over the church of Buskirks, June 21, 1898.

The Candidate H. C. Ficken over the church of Schagticoke, Nov. 4, 1898.

Rev. Chas. S. Wyckoff over the church of S. West Troy, Jan. 10, 1899.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. H. B. Allen and the church of Easton, Oct. 23, 1898.

Dismissed.

Rev. H. B. Allen, to the Classis of ————————
Rev. Clinton W. Clowe, to the Classis of Albany.

Classis of Schenectady.

Received.

Rev. Robert Rogers, from the Presbytery of San Jose, Cal., April 18, 1899.

Licensed.

Roswell H. Potter, June 14, 1898.

Installed.

Rev. Geo. Edwin Talmage, over the Second Church of Schenectady, May 10, 1898.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev Joseph McIntyre and the First Church of Glenville, Nov. 15, 1898.

Dismissed.

Licentiate Roswell H. Potter, to North Classis of Long Island, June 14, 1898.

Rev. Joseph B. Thyne, to the Classis of Montgomery, Sept. 20, 1898.

Rev. Joseph McIntyre, to the Classis of Poughkeepsie, Nov. 15, 1898.

Died.

Rev. David B. Hall, May 1, 1898.

Classis of Schoharie.

Received.

Rev. Henry Smith, from the Classis of Westchester.

J. Cullings Caton.

Installed.

Rev. Henry Smith, over the church of Cobleskill.

Rev. J. Cullings Caton, over the church of Lawyersville.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Rev. DeWitt G. Rochefeller and the churches of Cobleskill, Lawyersville.

Between Rev. Rev. W. W. Whitney and the churches of North Blenheim and Breakabean.

Dismissed.

Rev. Dewitt G. Rochefeller, to Classis of Rennsalaer.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Received.

Rev. William Burton, from the Presbytery of Aberdeen, South Dakota, Rev. John Van der Meulen, from Classis of New Brunswick.

Installed.

Rev. John Van der Muelen, over the church of Blue Mountain, July 26, 1898.

Rev. William Burton, over the church of Port Ewen, Dec. 1, 1898.

Pastoral relations dissolved.

Between Geo. Neimeyer, and the churches of Shokan and Shandaken, Nov. 19, 1898.

Between Rev. S. T. Cole, and the church of Esopus, April 11, 1899.

Died.

Rev. B. C. Lippincott, Jan. 29, 1899.

ARTICLE IX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The Rev. E. B. Coe, D. D., the representative of the Board of Foreign Missions, presented the work of that Board to the Snyod on the evening of the first day.

The Rev. J. Van Westenberg, the representative of the Board of Domestic Missions, presented the work of that Board to the Synod on the evening of the second day.

ARTICLE X.

Delegates to General Synod.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classes. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

Pramarie.	*Secundi.*
MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. H. Lockwood,	Rev. C. W. Burrows,
" J. O. Van Fleet,	" E. P. Johnson, D. D.,
" T. A. Beekman,	" E. G. Selden, D. D.
ELDERS.	ELDERS.
John C. Bogardus,	A. S. Van Der Zee,
W. H. Baldwin,	A. J. Hinman,
Howard Becker,	A. N. Husted.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. W. H. S. Demarest,	Rev. F. S. Barnum,
" C. M. Perlee,	" W. D. Ward,
" W. N. P. Dailey,	" Eugene Hill.
ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Thomas Bell,	L. H. Van Dyck,
S. D. Plank,	J. H. Snyder,
W. L. King,	H. S. Howe.

Classis of Montyomery.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. C. L. Palmer,	Rev. Wm. A. Wurts,
" R. A. Pearse,	" J. G. Gebhard,
" J. A. DeBaun, D. D.,	" J. Van Burk,
" E. A. McCullum.	" L. H. Bahler,
" William Schmitz,	" J. A. Rodger,
" R. A. Lansing,	" E. W. Florence.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Richard Getman,	Taylor Collins,
Philip DeForest,	William C. Rasbach,
J. Hees,	Peter Fox,
C. E. Edwards,	David Snell,
E. S. Johnson,	W. E. Spafford,
Harvey Shelp,	G. H. Peterson.

Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. E. J. McCully,	Rev. John B. Drury, D. D.,
" Josiah E. Crane,	" Isaac S. Schenck,
" A. W. Hopper,	" E. E. Thomas.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
A. L. Schermerhorn,	F. M. Niver,
Michael Rowe,	William H. Dings,
John P. Van Buren,	William J. Masten.

Classis of Rochester.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. C. F. Porter,	Rev. S. M. Hogenboom,
" Martin Ossewaarde,	" P. G. M. Bahler,
" G. Dangremond,	" Geo. C. Dangremond.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Abram Ameele,	J. DeNeve,
J. DuBruck,	F. J. Strong,
F. Rykenboer,	G. J. Dunnewold.

Classis of Saratoga.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. C. B. F. Pease,	Rev. J. H. Brandow,
" Oliver H. Walser,	" F. C. Scoville,
" J. C. Forbes,	" U. S. Schaul.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
J. Hilton,	R. Funson,
H. Sweet,	J. A. McDougal,
E. Lansing,	M. Van Everen.

Classis of Schenectady.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. A. C. Sewall, D. D.,	Rev. John C. Knox,
" O. T. Fletcher,	" Charles A. Conant,
" James E. Graham,	" George E. Talmage.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
Theodore E. Button,	Abram P. Van Dyke,
James Winne,	William W. Steers,
Abram R. Fryer,	Charles H. Crockett.

Classis of Schoharie.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. H. B. Roberts,	Rev. John S. Lott,
" Charles W. Pitcher,	" John H. Scarlett,
" William C. Handy,	" D. K. Van Doren.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
Thomas J. Wood,	John Kinskern,
W. E. Bassler,	Lewis Ham,
Charles M. Throop,	Frank L. Caspar.

Classis of Ulster.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. S. T. Cole,	Rev. J. E. Winne,
" R. DeWitt,	" S. W. Roe,
" N. H. Demarest,	" George Neimeyer.
ELDERS.	**ELDERS.**
Gilbert Van Wagonen,	P. C. Osterhout,
H. W. Davis,	William Van Etten,
O. P. More,	Davis Winne.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows : From 9 to 11:45 A. M., from 2 to 5 P. M., and from 7:30 P. M. until such hour as Synod may adjourn.

On the evening of the second day the Rev. Mark A. Denmam delivered an address on, "The Church and the Coming of the Kingdom."

The first half hour of the second day was spent in devotional service, led by the President, the Rev. Geo. Edwin Talmage.

The following brethren were granted the privileges of the floor, the Rev.'s E. B. Coe, D. D., J. H. Enders, Mark A. Denman, William A. Wurtz, William Schmitz, C. L. Palmer.

Resolved, That the request of Mr. Daniel Yanney for the appointment of some member of the Synod to assist him in conducting his side of the appeal before the Synod be granted.

The President appointed the Rev. Eugene Hill.

The Rev. E. J. Blekkink appeared before the Synod as the accredited commissioner of the Classis of Montgomery in the appeal.

Resolved, That the President of this Synod be empowered to appoint a commissioner, in case of an emergency, to represent the Particular Synod before the General Synod in this appeal.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have printed and to distribute among the Classes the usual number of copies of the Minutes.

Inasmuch as General Synod has appropriated $1,000, surplus of Synod's entertainment fund, to the erection of a chapel for the church of Asbury Park; therefore,

Resolved, As expressing t. e feeling of this Particulas Synod, that this action is a gross perversion of the money of the Synod, and a serious violation of trust funds, and we hereby express our entire disapprobation of this act.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Synod be extended to the pastor, the consistory, the families and the choir of the Reformed Church of Fonda for their delightful and generous hospitality.

ARTICLE XII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The minutes were read and approved. The roll was called and all were found present who were not excused.

ARTICLE XIII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the Reformed Church of Chatham, N. Y., (if the way be clear,) on the first Tuesday in May, 1900, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with the Doxology and the Benediction.

GEORGE EDWIN TALMAGE,
President.

ALBERT BENJAMIN HERMAN,
Vice-President.

PHILIP T. PHELPS, }
ROBERT J. HOGAN, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the minutes.

C. P. DITMARS, *Stated Clerk.*

PRESIDENTS AND PLACES OF MEETING OF SYNOD FROM 1869—1899.

1869. Rev. B. Van Zandt, D. D., 1st Schenectady.
1870. " John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North)
1871. " S. J. Rogers, Kinderhook.
1872. " R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873. " J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874. " Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875. " Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876. " J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy (South)
1877. " Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878. " J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879. " Edw. A. Collier, Chatham Village.
1880. " George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881. " John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
1882. " Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883. " Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884. " Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885. " Andrew J. Hagaman, Fort Plain.
1886. " James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
1887. " Henry M. Voorhees, Schoharie.
1888. " John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889. " Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890. " Denis Wortman, D. D., 2d Schenectady.
1891. " F. S. Barnum, 2d Coxsackie.
1892. " Philip Furbeck, Schoharie,
1793. " Philip Phelps, D. D., Canajoharie.
1894. " John G. Van Slyke, D. D., 1st Albany.
1895. " Bergen B. Staats, Saugerties.
1896. " Philip T. Phelps, 2d Rochester.
1897. " Philip H. Cole, Athens.
1898. " D. K. Van Doren, Cohoes.
1899. " George Edwin Talmage, Fonda.

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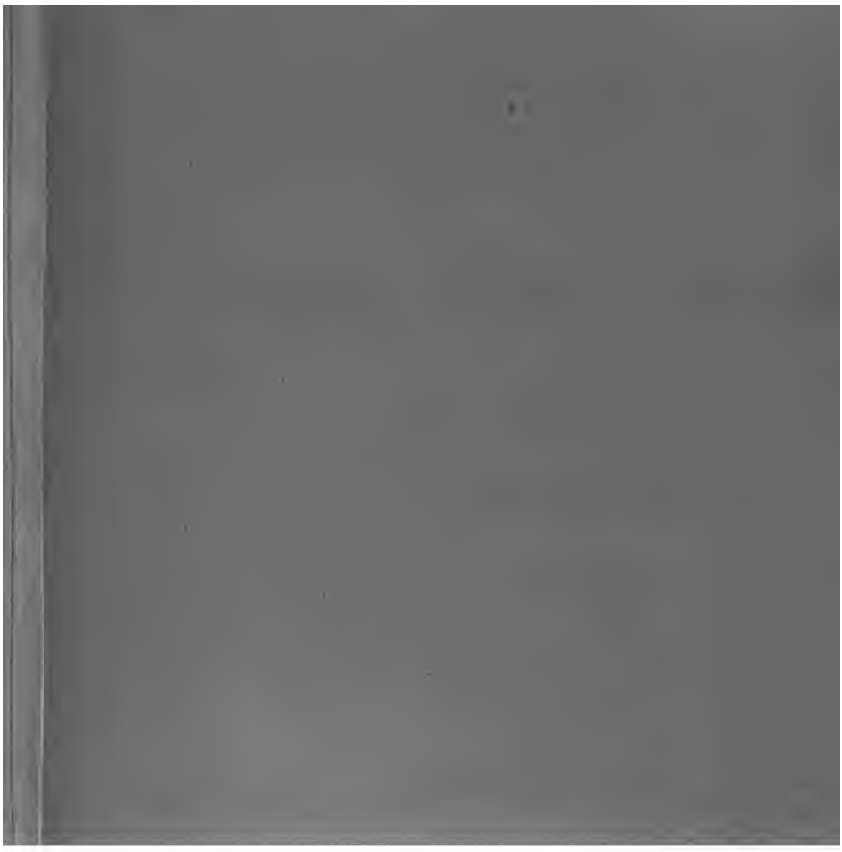

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MINUTES.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SNYOD.

The Particular Synod of Albany met in regular session, May 1st, 1900, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., in the Reformed Church of Chatham, N. Y., and continued in session until 9:15 o'clock Wednesday, May 2d.

The Synod was called to order by the Rev. George Edwin Talmage, the retiring president, and opened with prayer. He also preached the Synodical Sermon, taking as his text 2 Timothy 4:2 "Be instant in season, and out of season."

ARTICLE II.

CALLING THE ROLL.

The following members were found present:

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
From the Classis of Albany.	
Rev. J. O. Van Fleet,	Luther Frisby,
" C. W. Clowe,	W. L. M. Phelps.
" E. G. Selden, D. D.,	
" J. Van Westenberg.	
From the Classis of Greene.	
Rev. E. T. F. Randolph,	C. A. Vedder.
" S. T. Clifton,	
" W. H. S. Demarest,	
" W. D. Ward.	

From the Classis of Montgomery.

Rev. J. D. Peters, Adam Smith.
" F. V. W. Lehman.

From the Classis of Rensselaer.

Rev. DeWitt G. Rockefeller, Edward Williams,
" A. W. Hopper, J. W. Darrow.
" M. A. Denman.

From the Classis of Rochester.

Rev. M. Van Doorn.

From the Classis of Saratoga.

Rev. John G. Smart.

From the Classis of Schenectady.

Rev. M. R. Gordon, Henry A. Smith,
" Geo. E. Talmage, Theo. E. Button.
" C. P. Ditmars.

From the Classes of Schoharie.

Rev. Henry Smith. P. A. Allen, M. D.

From the Classes of Ulster.

Rev. C. VanSantvoord, D.D. P. M. Gillespie.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Rev. Edward G. Selden, D. D., was chosen President; Rev. Mark A. Denman was chosen Vice-President; Rev.'s J. Van Westenberg and C. W. Clowe Temporary Clerks.

ARTICLE IV.

READING RULES OF ORDER, MINUTES AND VAN BENSCHOTEN BEQUEST.

These were read.

ARTICLE V.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed :

On Synodical Minutes.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
Rev. J. D. Peters,	Luther Frisby,
" J. O. Van Fleet,	Henry A. Smith.
" P. S. Beekman.	

On Classical Minutes.

Rev. DeWitt G. Rockefeller,	Edward Williams,
" E. T. F. Randolph,	W. L. M. Phelps.
" J. Van Westenburg.	

On Synodical Report.

Rev. Geo. E. Talmage,	P. A. Allen,
" S. T. Clifton,	Adam Smith.
" D. K. Van Doren.	

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Rev. M. Van Doorn,	C. A. Vedder,
" J. D. Peters.	R. Weatherwax.
" W. H. S. Demarest.	

On Nominations.

Rev. F. V. W. Lehman,	J. W. Darrow,
" M. A. Denman,	Luther Frisby.
" E. T. F. Randolph.	

On the Treasury.

Rev. C. W. Clowe,	Henry A. Smith,
" J. G. Smart,	P. A. Allen, M. D.
" Geo. D. Lydecker.	

On Necrology.

Rev. C. P. Ditmars.

On Religious Exercises.

Rev. M. A. Denman, Adam Smith.
" A. W. Hopper.

On Missions.

Rev. J. Van Westenburg, W. L. M. Phelps,
" W. D. Ward, J. W. Darrow.
" A. W. Hopper.

On Leave of Absence.

Rev. C. Van Santvoord, P. M. Gillespie.
" M. R. Gordon.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Two Communications from the chairman of the Congregational Committee on Federation were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

A notice from the Board of Domestic Missions, stating the appointment of the Rev. H. Vanderwart as their representative to this Synod, was received and referred to the Committee on Religious Exercises.

The accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer were received and referred to the Committee on the Treasury.

The nominations to General Synod by the several Classes were received and referred to the Committee on Nominations.

A communication from the Christian Endeavor Missionary League regarding the "Forward Movement" was received and referred to the Committee on Missions.

A notice from the Board of Foreign Missions stating the appointment of the Rev. Albertus Pieters as representative of that Board, was received and referred to the Committee on Religious Exercises.

ARTICLE VII.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER SYNODS.

Copies of the Minutes of General Synod and of the Particular Synods of Chicago, New Brunswick and New York were received and referred to the Committee on Synodical Minutes.

The following delegates were chosen to the Particular Synods :

Chicago, Rev. P. S. Beekman.

New Brunswick, Rev. C. P. Ditmars.

New York, Rev. C. W. Clowe.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports were accepted and adopted :

On Necrology.

Your Committee on Necrology would report as follows :

The Rev. Philip Furbeck, of the Classis of Montgomery, died at his home in St. Johnsville, N. Y , July 23d, 1899, in the 67th year of his age. He was born at Guilderland N. Y., and prepared for college at New Brunswick, N. J. He graduated from Union College in 1854, and after teaching Greek in an Acadamy for two years, he entered the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, from which he graduated in 1859. Upon graduation he married the only daughter of the Rev. Ransford Wells, D. D. His pastorates were at Fonda, 1859–1862 ; Westerlo, 1862–1867 ; Buskirk's Bridge, 1867–1875 ; Farmer's Village, 1875–1882 ; Little Falls, N. J., 1882–1888 ; St. Johnsville, 1888–1892 ; West Copake, 1892–1897. In this latter year he was stricken with serious and incapaciatating disease, and resigning his charge returned to St. Johnsville where he purchased a home and remained until called to his rest.

Besides his wife, the faithful companion of his ministry and the light of his home, he leaves five sons and three daughters. One of his sons, George W., is pastor of Sixth Reformed Church of Albany, and another Howard, is now in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick. He had the unspeakable satisfaction of seeing all his children with him in the faith, and faithful and useful in the service of the Lord and Master to whom he gave his life. Mr. Furbeck was a man of clear-headed understanding, scholarly tastes, conservative judgment and unfaltering devotion to duty; but he was also sympathetic, warm hearted, with very deep attachments and an unbounded readiness for personal friendships. Naturally he held the confidence of the people whom he served, and bound very many hearts to himself by cords which even death will not break. But what he valued infinitely more he had the happiness of leading many souls to Christ, and helping many of the people of God to clearer, stronger faith and teaching men, women and little children to set their affections on things above. His forty years of ministry have manifestly yielded blessed harvests to the Master, and he "being dead, yet speaketh"—and will for generations to come. Among the last things he said was this: "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day."

The Rev. George Eddy Macardle, of the Classis of Saratoga, died at Mechanicville, N. Y., Aug. 15th, 1899. He was born in Newburgh, N. Y., in 1836, and was 63 years old at the time of his death. He received his education at Union College and Alton Seminary, Illinois. During the civil war he served in the Federal army and was a member of the Engineer corps. He entered the ministry in 1870, at Jacksonville, Ill. His early charges were Pecahonica, Ill., Petersfield, Ill., Burlington, Iowa, and Byron, Ill., all in the

Presbyterian Church. In 1882 he came to New York state and became pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Lafayette. At the close of his pastorate in 1888 he was settled over the Reformed Church at New Salem, from which field he removed in 1892 to the Reformed Church of the Boght and afterwards in 1894 to the Reformed Church of Schaghticoke. This was his last charge. In 1897 he left the active ministry and took up his residence at Mechanicville, N. Y., allying himself there with the Presbyterian Church and taking much interest in the Sunday School in which he was a teacher. Mr. Macardle was a true gentleman and an excellent scholar. For a number of years he had given special attention to geology and had prepared several lectures on this interesting subject. For sometime previous to his death he was in poor health. The manner of his death was extremely sad. For weeks he suffered from mental depression caused by financial loses and the unfaithfulness of a professed friend. This served at last to dethrone his mind, which was followed by suicide. Those who knew him best bear testimony to his high character as a man and a professing Christian and his faithfulness as a minister of the gospel.

The Rev. James Alexander Harvey Cornell, D. D., of the Classis of Albany, died at his home in New Baltimore, N. Y., Aug. 19th, 1899. He was born at Allentown, N. J., Aug. 29th, 1818, and had reached within a few days the age of 81 years. He was graduated from Rutgers College in 1838 and from New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1841. The pastorates of Dr. Cornell have been Westerloo, 1841–1843; New Baltimore, 1843–1848, including Coeymans, 1845–1848; Syracuse, 1848–1851; and Raritan 3d, 1851–1856, when he became Secretary of the Board of Education, 1856–1869; he was without charge from 1861–1869, when he was made financial Secretary of

General Synod and in this capacity he did an unsurpassed work in the interest of the Seminary endowments. He again became pastor at Coeymans, 1873–1879, since which time, broken in health, with advancing age, he has lived in retirement at New Baltimore. He reached his four score years not "by reason of strength," indeed, for many of his last years were marked by much physical infirmity, but through the mercy of God, who is pleased at times to give unusual length of days to those who are weak in body. Dr. Cornell was an earnest and spiritual preacher. His sermons were the fruit of careful preparation. They were perspicuous in plan and argument, earnest in tone, direct in appeal, and thoroughly evangelical. The persuasive element, beseeching men in Christ's stead to be reconciled to God was a marked feature in his pulpit ministration. No hearer could mistake the preacher's highest aim to be to edify the flock and win souls to Christ. His genial spirit and frank, affable manners made friends of all who came within his sphere and added to the effectiveness of his service. His sympathetic nature drew him promptly to the side of those who had sorrow and suffering and much of his influence sprang from his pastoral assiduity. His first four charges were weak, new and struggling churches and the success which crowned his labors in them shows his aptitude for that kind of work. In the Board of Education for five years he did excellent work, his appeals were successful in stirring up the churches to the care of Board as never before. But the work for which Dr. Cornell will be especially remembered was that which he accomplished for the fuller endowment of the Seminary at New Brunswick. He threw his whole heart into this work. He felt that it was a position of rare influence and that a singular opportunity was offered him of doing much good for the Church. We cannot go into all the details of his

efforts. He added to the Seminary's equipments two new professorships, Sage Library, Suydam Hall and a better maintenance for Hertzog Hall, through the munificence of James Suydam and Gardiner A. Sage and others. During these four years than Dr. Cornell was Financial Secretary he revolutionized the financial condition of the Seminary by adding considerably more than half a million to its resources in endowments, buildings and books, although only $110,000 of this amount are available for the salaries of professors. Dr. Cornell's home was a pleasant and cheerful one, as all know who shared its hospitality. In his early ministry he married Mariette, a daughter of Dr. Zinah W. Lay, then of Westerlo, N. Y. She was a companion in full accord with him in every good work and enterprise and an unfailing solace and support when prolonged ill health enfeebled the body and depressed the mind. For the last few years increasing weakness kept him closely confined to his home. He awaited calmly and trustfully the summons to depart, which he knew could not be long delayed, yet the end when it came was with unexpected suddenness. He rose as usual, partook sparingly of the morning meal, set down again at the table when the dinner hour came and began a slight repast, when without any premonition he sank forward in his chair and while supported in the arms of his faithful wife, presently expired. He was at rest, for God took him. His life's work was done faithfully and well and its record will remain as a fragrant memory to those who come after. He rests from his labors and his sufferings alike, " his works do follow him."

The Rev. Daniel Lord, M. D., of the Classis of Montgomery, died at Jordanville, N. Y., Sept. 10th, 1899, in the 77th year of his age. He was born in the city of New York, April 1st, 1822. His parents were Benjamin Lord and Hetty Vanderwart. The Rev.

Benjamin Lord, D. D., who for sixty-seven years was pastor of the First Church of Norwich, Conn., was his great, great grandfather. Mr. Lord graduated at the University of Pennsylvania with honor in 1844, and at the Theological Seminary in New Brunswick in 1847, and was licensed by the Classis of Passaic. His first pastorate was at Piermont, N. Y., from 1847 to 1850; then at Jersey City, first from 1850 to 1851; at Henderson, N. Y., from 1851 to 1856; at Nyack, 1856 to 1860; at Henderson again, 1860 to 1864. Then he became pastor of the South Congregational Church of Bridgeport, Conn., 1865 to 1869, and of the Calvary Presbyterian Church, Chicago, 1869 to 1873. In order that he might increase his usefulness in the parishes where he labored, he thoroughly qualified himself by study and by taking a full course of medical lectures for the practice of medicine. So thoroughly was he qualified that he became physician in chief of the South Side Dispensary, Chicago, from 1873 to 1878. In 1878 he returned, now for the third time, to the pastorate of the Reformed Church of Henderson, N. Y. Here he spent the remainder of his days, still in active service, though in the quietest rural retirement. Through those changes, which during the course of time come to many country Churches, the Church of Henderson ceased to be able to maintain its organization, but in the neighboring village of Jordanville there was more population and a disused Church building. To this Dr. Lord transferred his services and maintained them to the end with great acceptableness and usefulness. It was in this pulpit that on Sept. 10th, after preaching with his usual fervor and announcing and beginning to sing with the congregation the hymn "Nearer my God to Thee," he was stricken with apoplexy, and in a few minutes passed from the Church on earth to the upper Sanctuary. Dr. Lord was a man of high scholarly attainments.

Graduating with honor at the University, he continued to be an enthusiastic student through his whole life. Yet his sermons were as far as possible from being scholastic. Simple, easy, familiar, lucid, he was a master of pathos and by his power of persuasion often proved himself master of men. He was greatly beloved in every parish which he served, and by all who knew him. His unquestioned love for Christ made him more and more Christ-like. His gray hairs, which became white as snow, were a crown of glory in the sight of his affectionate brethren in the ministry. With failing strength, he still went on preaching out of pure love for the gospel and the master, and the souls of men. Having served his generation faithfully and well by the grace of God, he fell asleep.

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. DITMARS.

On Synodical Minutes.

Your Committee on Synodical Minutes would respectfully report that the Minutes of General Synod of 1899, and of the Particular Synods of Chicago, New Brunswick and New York were received by them and examined.

We beg leave to call the attention of this Synod to the report of a Special Committee, under the title of "Customs and Usages,', in regard to the place and use or the Particular Synod. (See pp. 496-450 Article XX of the Minutes of General Synod for 1899.)

We quote the following paragraphs:

"The Particular (or District) Synod is the first and more intimate bond of union between the Classes; the preliminary step to that larger union, the Denomination, the Church. In our consideration of the subject let us not overlook this."

"Our Constitution (it will be seen) assigns to the Particular Synod certain specific functions: 'to form

new Classes,' 'transfer,' congregations, 'to exercise a general superintendence over the spiritual interests and concerns of the several Classes,' and an 'appellate' jurisdiction in matters of discipline. Three of these items are, and must be, only occasional. So it is with judicial cases, important as they sometimes are. Here the Particular Synod is especially useful, as, for the most of them, the Court of final appeal. It is, then, within the scope of the fourth item that we must find the ordinary business and 'uses' of the Particular Synod: 'superintendence over the spiritual interests and concerns of the several Classes.' And of this business the Classes themselves furnish the groundwork. They are to send up their books; their reports on the state of religion; their statistical tables; list of licenses and ordinations; and in detal the answers to the Constitutional questions; all these, 'for the information of the higher judicatories.' They are the basis in this direction of the Particular Synod's action and business. They give (or may give) the needed 'information' as to the state of the churches, and the mutual faithfulness of the ministers, churches and classes in that district. If, however, it all stops there; if this whole business sinks down into a matter of mere routine, to be referred to a committee as the basis of a report to General Synod, but as furnishing little or nothing of interest to the Particular or District Synod itself, and that neighborhood or fellowship of churches it represents; if it merely follows a schedule of subjects—some of which (at least) must be marked with a 'nothing done,' and then adjourns; if this be the case, evidently the purpose and main 'use' of the Particular Synod is nullified, it becomes a perfunctory affair.'

"'Superintendence over the spiritual interests and concerns of the several Classes within its bounds.' With this made prominent, once a year for the delegates to meet and consider such a subject—the religious

condition of such and all concerned—should not be' would not be, held a useless 'expense' to be complained of or avoided; but a helpful gathering, full of interest to all. If, for instance, one Classis reported revivals, accessions, growth, there is the opening for a topic, perchance helpful to all; the germ it may be, of a new impulse, new life, a new spirit. If, on the other hand, and year after year, one reports within its bounds 'nothing done,' no life no spirituality in its churches; to the Particular Synod has been assigned the responibility, the duty, of looking into it—of 'devising,' if possible, joint means of help and remedy."

JOSEPH D. PETERS,
Chairman.

On the Treasury.

Your Committee on the Treasurer's Accounts would report that they have received and examined the accounts and vouchers and find the same entirely correct. We recommend that the same assessment as last year be continued on the Classes.

C. W. CLOWE,
Chairman.

The Treasurer's Report.

Received.		
Balance from last year	$88 76	
Dues from Classis of Montgomery	31 00	
" " Greene	14 00	
" " Rensselaer	17 00	
" " Saratoga	16 00	
" " Rochester	11 00	
" " Ulster	23 00	
" " Schenectady	21 00	
" " Schoharie	10 00	
" " Albany	28 00	
		$259 76
Expended.		
Paid Sexton at Fonda	$5 00	
Paid Salary of Stated Clerk	75 00	
Paid Schenectady Union Co. for Minutes	93 00	
		$173 00
Balance to new account		$86 76

On Missions.

Your Committee on Missions would respectfully report the following :

The twentieth century opens with bright prospects for successful, aggressive missionary work both at home and abroad; we would, therefore, acknowledge with gratitude to God the Divine blessing upon the work in the past, and pray for the Holy Spirit in the century now opening before us.

Your committee would call attention to the following suggestions :

First. That the Particular Synod of Albany hereby expresses renewed confidence in the management of our Board of Domestic Missions, and send a word of cheer and comfort to the faithful missionaries both east and west, assuring them of our hearty co-operation and promising them, so far as we are able, liberal support in their difficult work. We have heard with pleasure from the representative of the Domestic Board that the prospects for closing the year without debt are becoming brighter, and we would urge upon all our churches continued, liberal support in this great work in our home-land.

Second. That the Synod likewise record their appreciation of the work of our Foreign Board and pledge loyal support to our Missionaries abroad. We consider as one of the most promising signs of large success in the future, the great Ecumenical Council, just come to a close, as a mighty factor in creating interest and enthusiasm in the work of missions. We pray God that the results may be as substantial and far-reaching as the interest was intense. We would especially send a word of cheer to our Missionary workers in the famine-stricken districts of India, praying God that relief may soon be given, and urging upon our churches a liberal response to the urgent

appeal for help at this critical time. In caring for their spiritual welfare, let us not neglect their bodies.

Third. The interest in the work of Missions among our young people is a cause for great rejoicing, and all the agencies used to increase this interest should be heartily endorsed and encouraged. We would, therefore, advise all our Christian Endeavor Societies and Young People's Associations to join the Christian Endeavor Missionary League and thus work unitedly and systematically in this great cause. We would also cordially commend "The Twentieth Century Forward Movement" and ask the Pastors and Superintendents to place this matter before their schools and, if possible, adopt the method. The sum of fifty cents a year surely seems small, and yet, if adopted by all our schools, the Missionary treasury would be filled as never before. Besides, the benefit of systematic giving by our children will be of inestimable value to the work of Missions in the future.

Finally, we would pray for large succees in the work of God both at home and abroad, and that our Reformed Church may be rhe means of extending the blessed influence of the gospel of Jesus Christ to the remotest parts of the earth.

J. VAN WESTENBURG,

Chairman.

On Religious Exercises.

Your committee would respectfully report the following appointments:

At the Communion Service on Wednesday afternoon the Rev. George D. Lydecker to preside and read the liturgy. The Rev. J. O. Van Fleet to administer the bread, and the Rev. S. T. Clifton to administer the wine. The following elders to assist in the distribution: J. W. Darrow, W. L. M. Phelps, P. A. Allen and Edward Williams.

To deliver the address on the second evening of the session of 1901, the Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, he choosing his own subject.

MARK A. DENMAN,

Chairman.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.

Your Committee on Overtures would respectfully report as follows :

A communication from the Rev. W. F. Sutherland, Chairman of the Congregational Committee on Federation was placed in our hands, asking the Particular Synod of Albany to appoint a committee of five to confer with committees of other denominations to ascertain whether the formation of such a State Interdenominational Federation is desirable and practicable. The object of such a federation would be to form an interdenominational union of evangelical churches, which would co-operate together in building up the Church of Jesus Christ in our midst, and which would bring the evangelical churches closer in touch with one another than ever before. Your committee would, therefore, recommend that the following brethren be appointed as such committee : Rev.'s Geo. E. Talmage, C. P. Ditmars, Joseph D. Peters. Elders—J. W. Darrow, W. L. M. Phelps.

M. VAN DOORN,

Chairman.

On Classical Minutes.

Your Committee on Classical Minutes have personally and carefully examined all the Minutes of the Classes of this Synod, with the exception of the Minutes of the Classis of Rochester, which were not presented, and we find them all in splendid condition,

and do commend the Stated Clerks of the several Classes upon the neatness and excellent order in which the records have been kept.

DEWITT G. ROCKEFELLER,

Chairman.

On the State of Religion.

Your Committee on the State of Religion in the Particular Synod of Albany would respectfully report that careful attention has been given to the reports that have been made to the various Classes, and the following deductions have been made therefrom :

The statistics for this year are more hard to interpret than usual, since many of the Churches have carried out the suggestion of General Synod and have revised their rolls. It has, therefore, seemed to be wise to make a fuller comparasion than with last year, and to this end the committee has examined with care the reports for the last ten years, hoping thereby to discover the general trend, if such there be. The first comparison of this kind reveals the fact that our pastorates are all short, since there is but one pastor to a Classis who has been in his charge the full time of ten years. The second fact of importance is the number of vacant Churches, which should be provided for, in some way or other.

Statistics are valuable in proportion as they are accurate and complete, and also to the extent that we are able to interpret them. This report is an attempt at their interpretation.

Some of the items are more important than others. Some are the result of chance and others the results of work. Some have no significance, and others reveal the health of the local Church. In the latter class, we enumerate the number of members, the number of additions on confession of faith, and the amount given for denominational benevolence. These indicate the

strength of the church. It will be surprising to note that the additions have been only a little over 3 per cent this year. In other words, it takes 30 members to win one convert. At this rate it would take a generation to fill up the ranks, and there can be no progress. As a matter of fact, there seems to be but little progress, if any.

With the exception of Rochester and Schoharie the Classes have all lost in numbers through the revision of the rolls.

With the exception of Schoharie and Montgomery, they have all had less accessions on confession of faith than last year.

The gratifying feature is that with the exception of Rochester they have all increased in the matter of denominational benevolence.

Your committee has given to these three items a good deal of time, and has prepared a table for all the Churches for the ten years just past, from which table the trend of each Church has been determined and is submitted in brief form.

(After each Church, we have used a few signs to indicate the state of affairs in this regard. "M" means an increase in membership, and "m" a loss. The numberal indicates the number of years of this tendency. The star, if any, shows that this year has been the best of the ten. "A" indicates the number of additions when above the average of the Synod, and "a" when beneath that average. "B" shows increased benevolence, and "b" decrease.)

THE CLASSIS OF ALBANY has 18 Churches, three of them vacant M9 A7 B2

The Classis appears to be in a healthful condition, and we may expect continued good results of the labors of the various Churches.

First, Albany, Edward P. Johnson ..... M8 A B2

Grateful mention is made of Bible reading, lenten services and "decision day" in the Sunday School.

Madison Avenue, Albany, E. G. Selden. M3* A *B2
Steady progress through the year. Olivet Mission is also a success.

Third, Albany, Lester Leggett..... M2 A8 b
Good financial condition. The change of pastorate effected without disaster.

Fourth, Albany, Frederick Mueller..... M A B
The struggle with the debt is bearing fruit.

Holland, Albany, J. Van Westenburg... M a B*
Continued spiritual blessings, the 40th anniversary joyfully celebrated. The English language has been introduced into the prayer meetings.

Sixth, Albany, G. W. Furbeck..... M* A B*
The new church building is well under way under auspices circumstances.

Firit, Bethlehem, W. H. Nasholds ..... M10*A3 B
The debt has been paid and a fine pipe organ presented to the church by Elder G. N. Best.

Second, Bethlehem, C. W. Clowe..... M2* A B3
A prosperous year. New organizations among the younger members of the flock.

Second, Berne, H. Lockwood,..... M6* A5 B
A Church hall has been built. Extra services in February were blessed.

Knox, H. Lockwood ..... M6* A2 B
The old organ of the Bethlehem Church has been installed here.

Clarksville. Vacant..... m b

Coeymans, C. W. Burrowes ..... m a B
The report speaks of many hopeful signs and of deeper interest.

Jerusalem, T. A Beekman.....m a b
The Church reports many good signs of life, but does not enumerate them.

New Baltimore, J. O. Van Fleet.....M2 a b
The Church has been enjoying spiritual life. The loss of Dr. Cornell is much felt.

New Salem, Vacant since September, only opened five times.....m

Onesquethaw. Vacant .....m

Union, T. A. Beekman.....M A B
Deeper interest is manifest.

Westerlo. Vacant and practically dead.

THE CLASSIS OF GREENE has seven Churches. only one being vacant.....M a B3
This Classis is to be commended for giving full statistical reports.

First, Athens, W. N. P. Dailey.....M6 a b
A quiet and steady year.

Second Athens, is vacant and on the wane.m5

First Catskill, W. H. S. Demarest M3 A3 B3*
Prayer meetings well supported by the young men. Sunday School interested in missions, and best of all the Church has assumed the support of W. I. Chamberlain of the Arcot Mission.

Coxsackie, First, Eugene Hill.....M2 a b
Special interest has been manifested in the prayer meetings.

Coxsackie, Second, S. T. Clifton.....m a B2
Change of pastorate without friction or delay.

Kiskatom, W. D. Ward.....m A B
A harmonious year.

Leeds, E. T. F. Randolph.....M a b
The outlook for the Church is not wide but the new pastorate is a pleasant relationship.

THE CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY,
34 Churches, 5 vacant, five others suppled temporarily.....M3 A10B
During the ten years five Churches have gone out and four new ones have been established, The past year has been very encouraging.

First, Amsterdam, J. R. Kyle.....M A b
Quite a revival has been experienced.

Trinity, Amsterdam, C. W. Van Zee....M8* A7 b
A new pastor and a new parsonage are reported. The outlook is still bright.

Auriesville, without a pastor.....m b
Well attended services.

Buffalo, J. P. Beaver.....M2* A2*B2*
A prosperous year. A Chapel has been built and a large Sunday School is gathered.

Canajoharie, J. D. Peters.....M2 a B2

Cicero, G. E. Harsh is stated supply....M A3 B2*

Columbia, F. V. W. Lehman .....M A* B
This church was kept alive by the C. E. and now rejoices in its pastor.

Cranesville, supplied.....m b

Currytown, P. S. Beekman.....M3 a B

Ephratah, vacant.....

Florida, R. A. Pearse.....M A2 B3

Fonda, J. C. Boyd is stated supply.....m a B2
This church is saddened by the illness of Dr. DeBaum, who has been made emeritus.

Fort Herkimer, vacant.....M

Fort Plain, Arthur Dougall.....M a b
Has lost a pastor and found another.

Fultonville, W. Schmitz.....m a B
This is one of the banner churchis for benevolence, which speaks well for its spiritual condition.

Glen, R. Lansing.....m a B2

Hagaman, W. A. Wurts.....m a B2
This church has suffered through the financial conditions of the village, and deserves commendation for keeping up its benevolence.

Herkimer, vacant.....M a B

Johnstown, J. Van Burk.....M5* A6*B3*
The best year in the history of this church.

Manheim, supplied.....m
Hopes for better things.

Mapletown, J. A. Thomson.....m b
A new organ seems to be the encouraging feature of the year.

Mohawk, E. J. Meeker.....
The church records have been destroyed by fire.

Naumberg, vacant.....m b
Discouraged without a pastor.

Owasco, J. A. Rodgers.....M2 A7 b
Better attendance. Cleared from debt.

Owasco Outlet, E. W. Florence.....m5 a b

Point Rock, supplied.....m

St. Johnsville, O. J. Hogan.....m a B4
New piano, debt liquidated, parsonage renovated. The new pastor is hopeful.

Sprakers, J. A. Thomson .....M A b
A year of slow progress.

Stone Arabia, vacant.....m

Syracuse, First, P. H. Cole.....M4* A2 B
The missionary interest is rapidly increasing, and steps are being taken toward the support of a Foreign Missionary. The city needs quickening.

Syracuse, Second, C. G. Mallery.....M4* A b
This church is looking forward to the erection of a chapel.

Thousand Islands, I. J. Van Hee.....M A b
The financial year ended with money in the treasury. A notable event.

Utica, P. Crispell.....M a B
A very encouraging year, $6,000 has been raised toward removing the debt which has greatly hampered the church.

West Leyden, F. E. Schlieder.....m A B3
Harmony and quiet work. English services are being demanded and granted.

THE CLASSES OF RENSSELAER,
14 churches, two vacant .....m a B
This Classis awakening to the fact that the salvation of the world is the first work of the church. The year seems also to have been a profitable one at home.

Bath, A. W. Hopper.....M10*A B8*
A very prosperous year in every particular.

Blooming Grove, D. H. Christensen ....M A B
A better spirit is manifest.

Castleton, E. E. Thomas.....M3 A B
Good financial condition.

Chatham, M. A. Denman.....M7* a B
An exceptional year.

Ghent, First, P. T. Phelps.....m2 a B5
The preaching has been blessed.

Ghent, Second, C. V. W. Bedford.....,M2 A B5*
Quiet and prosperous year.

Greenbush, J. Laubenheimer.....M a B
Flourishing condition is reported.

Kinderhook, E. A. Collier.....M A B
Make a very good showing.

Nassau, G. D. Lydecker .....m a B
A memorial communion table has been presented to the church.

Schodack, E. J. McCully.....m a B2
Meetings well attended.

Schodack Landing, vacant .....m a b
A year of seed sowing and not of reaping.

New Concord, vacant, has a name to live.

Stuyvezant, D. W. G. Rockefeller.....M4* a B2
The church edifice will soon be renovated; funds are being raised.

Stuyvezant Falls, J. P. Faber.....m b
Has only had a pastor for a part of the year.

THE CLASSES OF ROCHESTER, 16 churches, none vacant.....M3 a b
The entire Classis has been devoting its time to seed sowing, and while not pleased with the present results feels confident of later reapings.

Abbe, M. Ossewaarde.....M2 a B4
Attendance is very good.

Arcadia, G. Dangremond.....m b
An uneventful year. A new location is needed.

Brighton, D. L. Betten.....M8* A8 b
A gratifying year.

Cleveland, J. Hoffman.....M A b
Best per capita giver for missions in the Classis.

Cylmerhill, P. G. M. Bahler.....m a B*
Condition fairly satisfactory.

East Williamson, G. C. Dangremond...M3* a B2
A Young Ladies Missionary Society has been organized. One aged elder has resigned after 37 years continuous service.

Farmer, E. B. Van Arsdale.....m b
The C. E. has disbanded, but other societies are at work.

Lodi, C. F. Porter.....M* a b
$1,000 has been paid to wipe out an old debt. The congregation is now free for the first time in 20 years. The 100th anniversrry will be observed in July.

Marion, W. H. Bruins.....m a b
The condition is nearly stationary. There has been a change of pastorates. The evening services are now conducted in English.

New York Mill, J. C. Bergmans.....M5* b
Three families have recently come over from Holland.

Ontario, S. H. Hogenboom M4* A4*B*
The progress since the settlement of the pastor in November has been remarkable. An organ has been bought and paid for. The Sunday School has doubled. Stables have been built.

Palmyra, G. Flikkema.....M A B2
A mortgage of $198 has been paid.

Pultneyville, M. Van Doorn.....m B*
Prayer meetings well attended and Ladies Missionary Society prospering.

First, Rochester, S. A. Schilstra .....m a B
Missionary meetings are well attended.

Second, Rochester, J. Lamar.....M2 A2 b
The additions on confession have been remarkably large.

Tyre, S. Rederus .....M6 a b
This church is reaching out to new fields with good success.

THE CLASSIS OF SARATOGA, 13
Churches, four of them vacant.....m a b
The Chairman of the Committee on the State of Religion calls attention to the large gain in baptized non-communicants. Inasmuch as none of these were baptized this past year, it looks as if the church had suddenly come into possession of an orphan asylum. Surely they are orphans too often, so far as care is concerned.

The Boght, O. H. Walser.....M a b

Buskirk, H. A. Freer .....M2* A B2
The benevolence is remarkable. The year has been prosperous.

Cohoes, O. H. Walser .....M2 a B3
The finances are in good condition and all the societies actively at work.

Easton, S. D. Miller.....M* A

A Parsonage has been bought.

Fort Miller. vacant.....m B

Monthly benevolent collections are taken.

Gansevoort, vacant.....m B

Greenwich, F. B. Scoville.....M a B

The fever for fashionable gambling is at present hurting the prayer meetings.

Northumberland, J. P. Viele.....m a B*

Saratoga, J. H. Brandow .....m A b

Paying for the parsonage has temporarily decreased the benevolent gifts. More men than women attend prayer meeting.

Schaghticoke, H. C. Ficken. .....m A B

A handsome pulpit has been presented to the church by the Boy's club.

West Troy, North, vacant.....m A b

West Troy, South, vacant.....m A b

Erecting a house of worship. Hoping for a pastor.

Wynantskill, U. S. Schaul.....M2* A B

Good financial condition. Individual communion cups have been adopted.

THE CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY,

14 churches, two vacant .....M10 A B

The membership has actually increased and merely shows apparent falling off through the very general revision of the rolls. As in the Classis of Greene we call it an increase over last year, the losses being invariably of necessity from earlier years and not from last year.

Altamont, O. T. Fletcher.....m a b
All financial obligations have been met.

Amity, J. E. Graham.....m a B
No marked features.

Bellevue, R. J. Hogan.....M6* A B*
The parsonage mortgage has been reduced, $500. Subscriptions are being taken for a new church and the outlook is exceedingly bright.

First, Glenville, R. Rogers.....M a B2
Parsonage debt paid. Home department large. Work very encouraging.

Second, Glenville, M. R. Gordon.....M A b
The church has been beautifully remodeled.

Helderberg, G. G. Seibert.....m a B
Attendance is good and the outlook brighter.

Lisha's Kill, C. A. Conant.....m a b
Sunday School scholars are learning to attend church.

Mont Pleasant, A. B. Herman.....M3* A2 B*
The church is growing in every way. A large Junior Endeavor is in operation.

Niskayuna, C. P. Ditmars.....M4* A B
Every prospect pleases.

Princetown, vacant.....m b
A pastor has been called, and it is hoped that services will be resumed.

First, Rotterdam, A. Hill.....M10*a b
The people show signs of a new hold on life.

Second, Rotterdam, J. C. Knox.....m A B2
The losses are chiefly by removals from the community.

First, Schenectady, vacant, supplied by President Raymond.....M2 A B
The audiences are large, the finances in good shape, but a pastor is needed.

Second, Schenectady, G. E. Talmage....M10*A4 B2
A debt of $3,000 has been paid, over 350 separate subscribers show a general interest in the church work. Individual communion cups have been introduced.

THE CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE, 17
Churches, only seven settled pastors..M4* A10*B
The Classis is in a better condition than for a long time past, but the large number of vacant churches causes anxiety.

Beaverdam, H. B. Roberts.....M A b

Berne, H. B. Roberts.....m a b
The spiritual condition is excellent.

Breakabeen, vacant.....m A

Central Bridge, vacant.....M* A b
A year of blessing.

Cobleskill, H. Smith .....M A4 B
The extra meetings have wrought conversions which have gone into other churches as well as into our own.

Eminence, vacant.....M* A
The outlook is very dark, without outside support.

Gallupville, vacant.....m
Under classical supervision, with the hope of being revived.

Gilboa and *South Gilboa*, vacant, no report.

The paster resigned through ill health.

Grand Gorge and *Prattsville*, C. M. Dixon. M A B
The outlook is very much brighter. The accessions very encouraging.

Howes Cave, vacant..... m a b

Lawyersville, J. C. Caton..... .....M A4 B
Parsonage completed. Attendance good.

Middleburg, C. W. Pitcher.....M2* A2 b
Prosperty, both temporal and spiritual.

North Blenheim, vacant..... m

Schoharie, W. D. Handy.....M A b5
Of the additions of confessions, almost all were men.

Sharon, I. Messler M3 A3 B2
The prosperity of the parish has been manifest in many ways, and has been symbolized by the new paint on church and parsonage.

THE CLASSIS OF ULSTER, 16 Churches, 4 vacant.....m a B
The general report of the Classical Committee is pessimistic.

Blue Mountain, J. Van Meulen.....M3 A3 B*
The condition is good in every line.

The Church of the Comforter, J. E. Winne. M10* A B2
The spiritual condition is improving.

Church of the Faithful, vacant. .....M

Esopus, D. T. Harris .....M A b
Just reviving from a pastorless experience.

Flatbush, R. DeWitt.....M A B
The accessions have been chiefly from the Sabbath School.

Jay Gould Memorial, N. H. Demarest. . M4* A4 B
The church rejoices over its blessings.

Katsbaan, A. J. Sebring.....m a b
Attendance at services has been good.

First, Kingston, S. G. Van Slyke .....M3 a B
Peace and harmony prevail.

Port Ewen, vacant.....M B
The parsonage was burned, religion is at a low ebb. The outlook is discouraging.

Plattekill, S. W. Roe.....m a b
The encouraging features are few in number.

Sandaken and *Shokan*. C L. Palmer.....M A b
The new pastorate but just begun is opening brightly.
The evening services at Shokan are well attended.

Saugerties, D. Wortman.....M a B
Unity has been the blessing of the past year.

Stewartsville, .acant and apparently dead.

West Hurley, vacant .....M a

Woodstock, C. Park. M5 A5 B2*
Harmony has prevailed. A parsonage is about to be erected.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE EDWIN TALMAGE,
Chairman.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
First Albany	Edward P. Johnson	400	26	16	16	..	8	724	3	9	....	....	1	466	$3,226 25	$972 40	$8,559 46	Albany, N. Y.
Madison Ave., Albany	Edward G. Selden	314	23	6	10	..	8	543	6	7	....	....	2	582	8,150 59	3,401 82	10,154 85	Albany, N. Y.
Third, Albany	Lester Leggett	120	8	6	4	..	2	176	10	2	....	....	1	250	37 00	.....	3,300 00	Albany, N. Y
Fourth, Albany	Frederick Mueller	75	4	1	5	..	2	125	7	1	....	24	1	124	90 00	30 00	1,956 04	Albany, N. Y.
Holland, Albany	J. Van Westenburg, S.C	*70	4	4	2	..	5	140	9	....	76	32	1	135	167 31	213 22	1,216 72	Albany, N. Y.
Sixth, Albany	Geo. W. Furbeck	50	5	13	....	..	....	61	1	2	....	....	1	185	61 54	17 25	$ 1,427 00	Albany, N. Y.
First, Bethlehem	Wm. H. Nasholds	175	13	....	2	..	2	241	7	4	....	....	5	461	128 33	52 50	‡ 2,088 75	Bethlehem Centre, N. Y.
Second, Bethlehem	C. W. Clowe	*109	13	6	8	..	2	251	6	3	....	....	1	171	188 49	13 60	1,295 34	Delmar, N. Y.
Second, Berne	H. Lockwood	63	4	....	3	..	2	138	....	2	....	....	1	120	13 25	.....	720 97	Knox, N. Y.
Knox	H. Lockwood	55	4	2	1	..	2	101	7	4	....	....	1	50	50 79	23 53	646 61	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	D. K. Van Doren, P. E.	35	....	....	5	..	1	59	....	....	....	....	1	92	22 00	.....	260 76	Clarksville, N. Y.
Coeymans	C. W. Burrows	110	1	....	8	..	1	*154	2	....	....	....	1	90	147 38	10 00	2,601 67	Coeymans, N. Y.
Jerusalem	T. A. Beekman	62	2	2	1	..	3	132	1	4	45	15	1	75	63 00	17 00	1,510 60	Jerusalem, N. Y.
New Baltimore	J. O. Van Fleet	93	2	7	3	..	5	185	1	2	....	..	1	90	160 06	6 18	1,655 32	New Baltimore, N. Y.
New Salem	D. K. Van Doren, P. E.	+80	....	....	....	..	....	150	....	....	....	....	1	88	.....	.....	519 51	New Salem, N. Y.
Onesquethaw	Vacant	40	....	....	....	..	....	35	2	....	....	....	1	45	.....	.....	130 83	Clarksville, N. Y.
Union	T. A. Beekman, S.S.	38	2	....	....	..	1	21	1	1	....	15	1	38	10 00	.....	320 00	Jerusalem, N. Y.
Westerlo	Vacant		....	....	....	..	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1889	111	63	68	..	44	3236	63	38	121	86	22	3062	$12,515 90	$4,757 50	$38,984 50	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. Dickson, Lansingburgh, N. Y.; Rev. J. H. Enders, Fort Hunter, N. Y.; Rev. C. P. Evans, Rensselaer, N. Y.

* Revised list. + Last year's report. $ $1,000 to Building Fund. ‡ $500 to cance Church debt.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Athens, First	W. N. P. Dailey	120	1	3	3	..	....	*182	6	....	20	....	2	150	$ 260 00	$ 50 00	$2,400 00	Athens, N. Y.
Athens, Second	.....	6	....	....	....	..	2	*13	....	....	....	....	1	35	.....	.....	95 00	Athens, N. Y.
Catskill, First	W. H. S. Demarest	215	20	9	5	..	8	*500	7	7	....	175	2	250	1,571 00	210 00	4,042 00	Catskill, N. Y.
Coxsackie, First	Eugene Hill	135	5	6	4	..	3	*243	4	2	45	70	1	134	184 00	4 00	1,610 00	West Coxsackie, N. Y.
Coxsackie, Second	Samuel Tilden Clifton	125	....	....	9	1	8	*250	6	1	20	....	†2	200	879 00	46 00	1,873 00	Coxsackie, N. Y.
Kiskatom	Wm. Davis Ward	72	7	....	3	..	5	*176	7	3	78	45	2	80	184 00	.....	750 00	Kiskatom, N. Y.
Leeds	E. T. F. Randolph	60	1	1	....	..	1	*115	....	1	30	30	1	50	65 00	14 00	950 00	Leeds, N. Y.
Total	.....	733	34	19	24	1	27	1479	30	14	193	320	11	899	$3,143 00	$324 00	$11,720 00	

Other Ministers—F. S. Barnum, S. C., 137 Clinton Ave., Kingston, N. Y.; C. M. Perlee, Leeds, N. Y.; Andrew Parsons, Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., California; Walter Winant, Tappan, N. Y.

*Revised roll. †One, Union.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Amsterdam, First	J. R. Kyle	111	11	5	4	..	4	169	9	5	....	....	1	262	$266 00	$90 00	$1,966 00	Amsterdam, N. Y
Amsterdam, Second	C. W. Van Zee	90	5	6	7	..	1	130	3	....	....	170	1	170	47 00	6 00	1,484 00	Amsterdam, N. Y.
Auriesville	Supplied	44	....	3	....	..	3	79	....	....	1	70	1	83	47 00	21 00	500 00	Auriesville, N. Y
Buffalo	J. Perry Beaver	80	24	1	....	..	3	107	6	5	....	....	1	220	22 00	15 00	2,865 00	Buffalo, N. Y.
Canajoharie	Joseph D. Peters	94	1	4	1	..	1	160	4	....	120	95	1	167	184 00	62 00	1,950 00	Canajoharie, N. Y.
Cicero	Supplied	32	4	1	....	..	3	70	....	4	....	....	1	75	18 00	12 00	450 00	Cicero, N. Y.
Columbia	F. V. W. Lehman	27	7	1	....	..	2	46	....	5	....	....	1	25	18 00	.....	300 00	Columbia, N. Y.
Cranesville	Supplied	54	....	....	....	..	1	60	....	....	....	15	1	66	46 00	20 00	320 00	Cranesville, N. Y.
Currytown	P. S. Beekman	35	2	....	....	..	1	+89	2	1	....	30	1	+60	125 00	52 00	732 00	Currytown, N. Y.
Ephratah	Vacant*	45	....	....	....	....	....	93	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Ephratah, N. Y.
Florida	Richard A. Pearse	70	4	....	2	..	1	108	....	2	....	....	1	130	85 00	.....	1,000 00	Minaville, N. Y.
Fonda	J. A. DeBaun, P. Em.	214	7	....	4	..	3	388	6	3	....	150	2	250	§ 612 00	.....	2,415 00	Fonda, N. Y.
Fort Herkimer	Vacant*	30	....	....	....	....	....	46	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	Fort Herkimer, N. Y.
Fort Plain	Arthur Dougall, P. E.	176	11	9	2	..	4	370	33	6	....	....	1	335	240 00	11 00	2,641 00	Fort Plain, N. Y.
Fultonville	William Schmitz	89	3	1	5	..	3	140	1	....	....	....	1	192	339 00	78 00	1,889 00	Fultonville, N. Y.
Glen	Raymond A. Lansing	96	2	....	3	..	1	123	....	1	....	....	1	142	115 00	27 00	1,070 00	Glen, N. Y.
Hagaman	William A. Wurts	77	3	....	6	..	4	121	1	....	101	110	1	120	44 00	50 00	777 00	Hagaman, N. Y.
Herkimer	Vacant	157	1	1	6	..	4	+257	19	....	....	100	1	150	370 00	20 47	‡ 2,148 00	Herkimer, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY (CONTINUED.)

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Johnstown	John Van Burk	60	17	2	....	..	1	84	5	8	....	....	1	185	$127 00	$ 17 00	$ 676 00	Johnstown, N. Y.
Manheim	Supplied.	26	....	....	....	..	....	34	....	....	....	....	1	53	....	3 00	300 00	Inghams Mills, N. Y.
Mapletown	John A. Thomson, S.S.	30	....	....	7	..	1	52	1	....	....	....	1	60	25 00	.....	351 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Mohawk	E. J. Meeker*	¶70	....	....	....	..	....	135	....	....	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	Mohawk, N. Y.
Naumburg	Vacant.	18	....	....	....	..	1	34	....	....	....	....	....	.....	5 00	.....	136 00	aumburg, N. Y.
Owasco	J. A. Rogers	100	5	2	4	..	....	118	....	4	3	....	2	205	24 00	.....	1,048 00	Owasco, N. Y.
Owasco Outlet	E. W. Florence	25	1	4	1	..	3	56	....	....	....	....	1	25	16 00	.....	398 00	Auburn, N. Y.
Point Rock	Supplied*	6	....	....	....	..	....	14	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Leyden, N. Y.
St. Johnsville	O. J Hogan	140	2	4	8	..	2	†216	1	2	....	....	1	220	193 00	.....	2,295 00	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	John A. Thomson	50	3	6	2	..	1	†85	3	1	....	....	1	100	53 00	13 00	740 00	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	Vacant*	36	....	....	....	..	....	54	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Syracuse, First	Philip H. Cole	180	12	4	2	..	5	373	7	3	....	225	1	325	703 00	501 00	5,043 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Syracuse, Second	Charles G. Mallery ...	60	15	2	1	..	....	80	6	....	....	....	1	185	60 00	12 00	825 00	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Islands	I. J. Van Hee	70	8	....	....	..	3	81	3	3	....	....	1	98	69 00	.....	1,178 00	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica	Peter Crispell	100	2	7	3	..	3	161	2	....	....	90	1	110	700 00	763 00	6,237 00	Utica, N. Y.
West Leyden	F. E. Schlieder	32	2	....	....	..	2	51	5	....	....	3	1	65	78 00	26 00	333 00	West Leyden, N. Y.
Total		2,514	153	62	68	..	61	4184	117	53	225	1058	35	4078	$4,625 00	$1,799 00	$42,936 00	

Other Ministers—R. Williams, 124 James Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Prof. Oren Root, Clinton, N. Y.; A. D. Minor, Mohawk, N. Y.; Joel Loucks, McKinley, N. Y.; Hervey D. Leland, Paola, Kansas; Wm. H. Shelland, Rochester, N. Y.; P. Q. Wilson, Ephratah, N. Y.; Ira Van Allen, Syracuse, N. Y.; J. B. Thyne, Johnstown, N. Y.

Student Candidates—Howard Furbeck.

*Last year's report. ‖J. C. Boyd, S. S. †Revised list. §Including "Other Objects," ‡exclusive of $869.10 paid on Chapel debt.

¶Church Records lost in recent fire.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Bath	A. W. Hopper	58	11	4	....	..	....	68	1	6	6	111	1	166	$ 137 00	$ 6 00	$ 484 00	Bath-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Blooming Grove	D. H. Christensen, S.S.	55	....	1	1	..	1	100	3	....	....	....	1	49	80 00	.....	964 00	Defreestville, N. Y.
Castleton, Emmanuel	Eugene E. Thomas	125	9	5	4	2	4	222	4	2	37	....	2	250	102 00	.....	2,435 00	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	Mark A. Denman	115	6	9	2	1	2	249	6	3	....	....	1	187	508 00	237 00	3,749 00	Chatham, N. Y.
First Ghent	Philip T. Phelps	75	3	....	2	..	2	144	1	3	....	....	1	139	265 00	14 00	882 00	Ghent, N. Y.
Second Ghent	Chas. V. W. Bedford	57	11	2	2	..	5	118	4	2	....	....	1	104	201 00	49 00	800 00	Omi, N. Y.
Grtenbush	John Saubenheimer	115	1	3	2	..	3	224	4	....	....	....	1	162	211 00	26 00	1,995 00	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	Edw. A. Collier, S. C.	*130	13	2	4	..	5	†272	13	8	100	55	1	169	1,288 00	138 00	2,633 00	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	Geo. D. Sydecker	*103	4	4	7	..	3	*180	4	2	....	100	1	140	144 00	29 00	1,480 00	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	Vacant	†25	....	....	....	..	....	†50	....	....	....	....	†1	†32	†10 00	.....	*308 00	New Concord, N. Y.
Schodack	Edgar I. McCnlly	83	2	2	4	..	2	168	5	1	....	....	1	72	174 00	.....	1,575 00	Muitzeskill, N. Y.
Schodack Landing	Vacant	85	2	....	2	..	6	181	3	2	....	25	1	112	103 00	.....	1,087 00	Schodack Landing, N.Y.
Stuyvesant	DeWitt G. Rockefeller.	75	3	4	2	..	2	146	....	3	....	75	1	75	245 00	.....	1,008 00	Stuyvant, N. Y.
stuyvesant Falls	J. P. Faber	50	....	....	....	..	2	82	....	....	32	36	1	46	8 00	.....	551 00	Stuyvant Falls, N. Y.
Total		1146	65	36	32	3	37	2205	48	32	175	402	15	1703	$3,476 00	$499 00	$19,951 00	

Other Ministers—John B. Drury, Editor *Christian Intelligencer*, New Brunswick, N. Y.; Isaac S. Schenck, New Brunswick, N. Y.; Josiah E. Crane.

*Revised List. †Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
															Benevolent.			
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Abbe	M. Ossewaarde, S. C.	*117	6	2	1	..	1	*217	7	1	....	45	1	130	$234 35	$ 16 63	$ 998 70	Clymer, N. Y.
Arcadia	Gerritt Dangremond	71	....	2	1	..	1	150	6	....	146	....	1	80	51 53	.....	647 82	135 Church St. New'k, N.Y
Brighton	D. Lawrence Betten.	80	9	6	1	..	2	150	14	....	....	50	1	200	148 62	23 41	1,023 72	Brighton, N. Y.
Cleveland (First)	John Hoffman	48	3	3	....	..	2	100	....	....	100	45	1	85	132 99	136 68	1,102 31	1057 Central Av. Clev'd, O
Clymerhil	P. G. M. Bahler	71	1	....	....	..	1	161	....	1	110	20	1	120	174 31	15 70	779 73	Clymerhil, N. Y.
East Williamson	Geo. C. Dangremond.	130	....	4	2	..	1	204	9	....	....	....	1	183	177 66	42 50	983 55	East Williamson, N. Y.
Farmer	E. B. Van Arsdale	*120	....	2	....	..	6	*219	....	....	....	....	1	150	197 41	128 11	1,208 33	Farmer, Seneca Co., N.Y.
Lodi	C. F. Porter.	100	1	3	....	..	1	196	4	1	....	129	1	129	132 20	2 00	‡ 2,220 79	Lodi, Seneca Co., N. Y.
Marion	William H. Bruins.	150	2	5	6	..	6	320	11	....	325	50	1	250	204 46	34 25	1,126 00	Marion, N. Y.
New York Mills	J. C. Bergmans.	23	....	....	....	..	....	44	....	....	40	30	1	50	19 50	3 00	371 57	New York Mills, N. Y.
Ontario	S. M. Hogenboom	30	16	5	1	..	....	65	3	1	90	25	1	60	33 80	5 00	266 87	Ontario Centre, N. Y.
Palmyra	Gerritt Flikkema	†60	12	4	4	..	1	134	4	....	130	45	1	85	47 90	7 00	943 05	Palmyra, N. Y.
Pultneyville	M. Van Doorn	*52	....	2	6	..	3	120	2	....	101	....	1	128	124 40	.....	737 92	Pultneyville, N. Y.
First Rochester	S. A. Schilstra	170	5	1	2	1	10	286	11	....	....	36	1	186	352 26	166 65	2,278 14	55 Hudson Ave. Rochester
Second Rochester	John Lamar	103	17	13	13	..	2	262	8	1	....	....	1	303	249 67	123 36	2,417 03	44 Birch Crescent, Roch'r
Tyre	Sipko Rederus.	†30	1	2	....	..	2	55	....	....	20	....	1	56	64 00	10 00	405 00	Malcolm, Seneca Co. N.Y.
Total		1355	73	54	37	1	39	2773	79	5	1062	475	16	2195	$2,344 56	$714 29	$17,310 53	

Other Ministers—Rev. John Boehrer, 49 Barthell St., Buffalo, N. Y.

Student Candidates—A. V. C. Dangremond, New Brunswick Seminary; Abram Den Hollander, Hope College.

*Revised list. †Last year's census. ‡$1,022.00 in discharge of debt.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Boght	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	42	1	....	2	..	....	93	1	....	....	....	1	64	$ 44 94	.....	$ 661 31	Coboes, N. Y.
Buskirks	Harris A. Freer	52	4	3	4	..	1	89	3	6	....	14	1	78	214 84	$ 10 00	601 30	Buskirk, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser, S. C.	251	11	1	1	..	3	410	2	....	....	....	1	227	679 66	181 35	4,355 57	Cohoes, N. Y.
Easton	Samuel D. Miller	*37	3	4	....	..	1	48	....	....	....	....	1	70	.....	14 00	+ 1,052 00	North Easton, N. Y.
Fort Miller	Vacant	51	....	1	....	..	1	114	....	....	....	6	1	49	39 16	7 90	374 51	Fort Miller, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Vacant	46	....	....	....	..	....	89	5	....	....	....	1	45	49 70	.....	250 00	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Greenwich	Frank C. Scoville	105	1	4	7	..	3	218	3	1	....	....	1	114	305 99	84 50	1,706 46	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	J. B. Viele	*50	1	3	....	..	....	98	2	1	....	....	1	106	147 53	27 00	672 00	Bacon Hill, N. Y.
Saratoga	John H. Brandow	*91	5	1	8	..	2	189	....	3	....	....	1	150	243 00	57 00	+ 2,001 00	Schulyerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	H. Curtis Ficken	44	2	2	4	1	1	65	....	2	....	....	1	50	24 50	8 50	400 00	Reynolds, N. Y.
West Troy, North	Vacant	*100	8	6	....	..	3	203	....	....	....	....	1	.....	176 88	.....	3,013 60	West Troy, N. Y.
West Troy, South	Vacant	30	4	....	....	..	1	42	....	....	45	44	1	66	60 00	.....	700 00	West Troy, N. Y.
Wynantskill	Ulysses S. Schaul	62	6	4	....	..	3	129	4	3	....	....	1	60	74 52	30 85	909 02	Wynantskill, N. Y.
Total		961	48	29	26	1	19	1687	21	16	45	64	13	1079	$2,060 72	$421 10	$16,696 93	

Other Ministers—Rev. A. G. Cochrane, Schuylerville, N. Y.; Rev. Lyman E. Davis, Sharpsburg, Pa.; Rev. George I. Taylor, 1129 Park Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rev. P. A. Wessels, Glenville, N. Y.; Rev. John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.

*Taken from last year's report.

†Easton, includes price of Parsonage $677.00; Saratoga, $477.00 towards parsonage,

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Cen-.	Communicants.						Bap-tised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Altamont	Orville T. Fletcher	90	3	....	2	..	2	131	....	1	22	40	1	95	$ 33 00	$ 8 00	$1,500 00	Altamont, N. Y.
Amity	James E. Graham	54	1	....	....	..	2	141	....	1	....	190	1	160	45 00	36 00	927 00	Vischer's Ferry, N. Y.
Bellevue	Robert J. Hogan	86	8	25	3	..	1	120	....	2	15	96	1	215	109 00	48 00	1,709 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Glenville, First	Robert Rogers	90	5	2	2	..	3	210	5	2	....	....	2	179	108 00	4 00	2,059 00	Glenville, N. Y.
Glenville, Second	M. R. Gordon	81	6	7	5	..	5	173	....	1	....	....	1	249	99 00	4 00	2,566 00	Scotia, N. Y.
Helderberg	George G. Seibert	88	3	2	3	2	4	*241	16	3	49	75	1	97	96 00	7 00	1,450 00	Guilderland Centre, N.Y
Lisha's Kill	C. A. Conant	.....	1	....	2	..	1	*139	11	1	....	....	1	95	100 00	33 00	826 00	Lisha's Kill, N. Y.
Mont Pleasant	A. B. Herman	78	8	13	1	..	....	86	7	3	53	55	2	339	62 00	10 00	910 00	Mont Pleasant, N. Y.
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars	135	11	2	5	1	4	*288	6	1	125	140	2	290	560 00	40 00	1,475 00	Niskayuna, N. Y.
Princetown	Paul J. Strobauer, P.E.	85	....	....	1	..	4	*240	1	....	....	13	1	75	25 00	.....	463 00	Gifford, N. Y.
Rotterdam, First	Alexander Hill	180	5	....	....	..	5	20.	8	2	....	....	2	250	105 00	25 00	1,115 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Rotterdam, Second	John Calvin Knox	38	5	....	2	..	4	84	2	2	....	....	1	.....	90 00	....	1,264 00	Pattersonville, N. Y.
Schenectady, First	Supplied	324	41	14	11	..	6	*510	2	11	....	....	3	709	1,121 00	193 00	5,717 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, Second	Geo. Edwin Talmage	245	18	18	7	1	5	*457	16	11	....	....	1	267	347 00	41 00	6,317 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
Total	.....	1422	103	83	46	4	46	3034	69	41	264	579	20	2746	$2,906 00	$439 00	$28,287 00	

Other Ministers—A. A. Bookstaver, Searsville, N. Y.; Albert C. Sewall.

* Revised roll.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	HerbertB.Roberts,S.C	61	5	....	....	..	2	*100	1	5	....	50	1	60	20 55	.....	$ 491 00	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	Herbert B. Roberts...	62	1	1	1	..	3	*111	1	...	....	70	1	96	208 89	$ 4 00	566 00	Berne, N. Y.
Breakabeen	Vacant	46	2	....	1	..	1	50	1	....	12	15	1	96	....	....	160 71	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Central Bridge	Vacant	35	5	6	2	..	....	54	....	3	....	....	1	50	21 17	3 10	312 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Henry Smith	47	7	....	1	..	....	63	....	4	....	21	1	64	34 29	.....	554 63	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Eminence	Vacant	30	1	....	....	..	....	17	....	....	....	....	1	40	.....	.....	48 24	Eminence, N. Y.
Gallupville	Vacant	+35	....	....	....	..	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Gallupville, N. Y.
Gilboa	Vacant	+62	....	....	....	..	....	120	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Gilboa, N. Y.
Grand Gorge	Chas. Morrison Dixon.	32	17	4	....	..	1	58	....	13	....	....	1	66	40 87	2 50	476 26	Prattsville, N. Y.
Howes Cave	Vacant	42	1	....	2	..	....	65	1	1	....	....	1	50	18 00	2 65	403 00	Central Bridge, N. Y.
Lawyersville	J. Collings Caton	38	7	5	....	..	2	*81	3	5	....	....	1	145	92 48	72 50	766 49	Lawyersville, N. Y.
Middleburgh	Chas. W. Pitcher	110	9	....	3	..	4	186	....	3	29	....	2	100	110 90	5 00	2,021 79	Middleburgh, N. Y.
North Blenheim	Vacant	46	....	....	....	..	1	46	....	....	....	....	1	45	.....	.....	200 00	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	Chas. Morrison Dixon.	70	33	4	....	..	1	98	1	17	....	....	1	68	37 68	9 75	767 98	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	William C. Handy	66	10	2	....	..	3	148	2	8	....	25	1	97	142 26	22 50	1,560 63	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Isaac Messler	50	5	1	....	..	3	80	....	5	....	....	1	50	17 65	.....	462 06	Sharon Centre, N. Y.
South Gilboa	Vacant	+22	....	....	....	..	....	49	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Gilboa, N. Y.
Total		848	103	23	10	..	21	1361	10	64	41	181	15	1027	$844 74	$122 00	$8,820 79	

Other Ministers—Edward Miller, Cobleskill, N. Y.; Edwin Vedder, Schoharie, N. Y.; John S. Lott, No. 54 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Wm. W. Whitney, North Blenheim, N. Y.; Jas. Jongeneel, Central Bridge, N. Y.; John H. Scarlet, Newtonville, Albany Co., N. Y.

+ Last year's report. *Revised list.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER

Churches.	Pastors.	Census.	Communicants.						Baptised.		Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			Post Office Address.
		Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized	Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Blue Mountain	J. Van der Meulen	110	11	1	3	..	3	223	6	3	....	....	2	135	$ 58 00	$ 2 00	$ 920 00	Fawns, N. Y.
Ch. of the Comforter	J. Edgar Winnie	90	5	1	...	4	2	175	3	2	71	....	1	250	229 51	31 83	750 69	Kingston, N. Y.
Esopus	David T. Harris	60	8	3	4	..	1	120	4	4	....	....	2	135	33 77	6 25	800 00	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flatbush	Richard DeWitt, S. C.	90	10	....	....	..	5	174	12	2	....	....	4	350	104 00	.....	1,070 00	Glasco, N. Y.
Jay Gould Memorial	N. H. Demarest	78	6	3	2	..	2	118	1	3	....	....	1	121	210 08	7 00	1,993 00	Roxbury, N. Y.
Katsbaan	A. J. Sebring	85	2	....	3	..	4	171	9	....	50	100	1	100	291 00	246 00	920 00	Katsbaan, N. Y.
Kingston	John G. Van Slyke	275	11	4	...	..	14	554	2	3	....	....	3	400	938 02	236 00	5,800 00	Kingston, N. Y.
Port Ewen		120	....	....	3	..	6	245	....	....	....	....	1	158	48 80	.....	1,217 47	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Plattekill	S. W. Roe	160	1	....	....	..	6	220	8	....	125	....	4	235	40 00	10 00	900 00	Cockburn, N. Y.
Saugerties	Denis Wortman	200	4	7	1	..	5	*270	2	2	....	....	1	125	296 00	70 00	2,300 00	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandakan	C. L. Palmer	34	....	....	....	..	....	54	....	....	....	65	1	65	.....	.....	440 00	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	C. L. Palmer	70	4	4	....	..	....	128	....	2	....	115	1	115	23 50	6 00	596 43	Shokan, N. Y.
Stewartville		.....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Hurley, N. Y.
West Hurley		40	2	....	....	..	2	80	....	....	....	55	....	80	.....	.....	.....	West Hurley, N. Y.
Woodstock	Clearfield Park	70	6	....	2	..	2	120	2	2	....	....	1	120	39 34	13 08	776 31	Woodstock, N. Y.
Ch. of the Faithful		32	....	2	....	..	....	22	....	....	....	....	1	53	.....	.....	.....	Brown's Station, N. Y.
Total		1482	68	23	18	4	45	2474	51	23	246	335	24	2360	$2,325 00	$628 36	$17,820 00	

Other Ministers—Cornelius Van Santvoord, Kingston, N. Y.; William A. Shaw, Kingston, N. Y.; Calvin Case, Broadhead, N. Y.; Rufus M. Stanbrough, Kingston, N. Y.; Solomon T. Cole, Katrine, N. Y.

*Cut off 44.

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CLASSES.	Census.				Communicants.						Baptized.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			Contributions.			STATED CLERKS.
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.		Catechumens.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent. Denominational Objects.	Benevolent. Other Objects.	Congregational Purposes.	
Albany	18	15	....	1889	111	63	68	..	44	3236	63	38	....	86	22	3062	$12,516 00	$4,758 00	$38,985 00	J. Van Westenburg.
Greene	7	10	....	733	34	19	24	1	27	1479	30	14	...	320	11	899	3,143 00	324 00	11,720 00	F. S. Barnum.
Montgomery	34	33	....	2514	153	62	68	..	61	4184	117	53	....	1058	35	4078	4,625 00	1,799 00	42,936 00	Wm. Schmitz.
Rensselaer	14	15	....	1146	65	36	32	3	37	2205	48	32	....	402	15	1703	3,476 00	499 00	19,951 00	Edward A. Collier.
Rochester	16	17	....	1355	73	54	37	1	39	2773	79	5	....	475	16	2195	2,345 00	714 00	17,311 00	Martin Ossewaarde.
Saratoga	13	13	....	961	48	29	26	1	19	1687	21	16	....	64	12	1079	2,061 00	421 00	16,696 00	Oliver H. Walser.
Schenectady	14	13	....	1422	103	83	46	4	46	3034	69	41	....	579	20	2746	2,906 00	439 00	28,287 00	C. P. Ditmars.
Schoharie	17	14	....	848	103	33	10	..	21	1361	10	64	....	181	15	1027	845 00	122 00	8,821 00	H. B. Roberts.
Ulster	16	16	....	1482	68	23	18	4	45	2474	51	23	....	335	24	2360	2,325 00	628 00	17,820 00	Richard DeWitt.
Total	149	146	....	12350	758	392	329	14	339	22433	488	286	....	3500	170	19149	$34,242 00	$9,704 00	$202,527 00	

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Classis of Albany.

Received.

Rev. Frederick Mueller, from the Presbytery of Monmouth, N. J., May 29, 1899.

Rev. Lester Leggett, from the Classis of Rensselaer, April 17, 1900.

Installed.

Rev. Frederick Mueller, over the Fourth church of Albany, June 5, 1899.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. Robt. J. McBride and the Third church of Albany, Sept. 26, 1899.

Dismissed.

Rev. H. C. Van Haagen to Classis of Paramus, Sept. 26, 1899.

Rev. Robt. J. McBride to the Presbytery of New Brunswick, N. J., April 18, 1900.

Died.

Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, D. D., August 18, 1899.

Classis of Greene.

Received.

Licentiate Edward T. F. Randolph, from the Classis of New Brunswick, Jan. 11, 1900.

Rev. Samuel Tilden Clifton, Ph. D., from the Classis of Orange, Feb. 27, 1900.

Installed.

Rev. Edward T. F. Randolph, over the church of Leeds, Jan. 11, 1900.

Rev. Samuel Tilden Clifton, Ph. D,, over the Second church of Coxsackie, Feb. 27, 1900.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. C. M. Parlee and the church of Leeds, July 1, 1899.

Between Rev. F. S. Burnham and the Second church of Coxsackie, Dec. 15, 1899.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Received.

Rev. O. J. Hogan, from the Classis of Philadelphia, Sept. 18, 1899.

Rev. C. W. Van Zee, from the Classis of Monmouth, Feb. 5, 1900.

Rev. Arthur Dougal, from the Presbytery of New Castle, Del., April 16, 1900.

Licentiate Chas. G. Mallery, from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, Sept. 18, 1899.

Licentiate Ed. J. Meeker, from the Classis of New Brunswick, Oct. 5, 1899.

Ordained.

F. V. W. Lehman, Sept. 5, 1899.

Chas. G. Mallery, Sept. 28, 1899.

Ed. J. Meeker, Oct. 5, 1899.

Installed.

Rev. F. V. W. Lehman, over the church of Columbia, Sept, 5, 1899.

Rev. C. J. Hogan, over the church of St. Johnsville, Oct. 3, 1899.

Rev. C. G. Mallery, over the church of Second Syracuse, Sept. 28, 1899.

Rev. E. J. Meeker, over the church of Mohawk, Oct. 5, 1899.

Rev. C. W. Van Zee, over the church of Amsterdam Trinity, Feb. 21, 1900.

Dissolutions.

Rev. C. W. Kinney and the church of St. Johnsville, May 22, 1899.

Rev. C. L. Palmer and the church of Ephratah and Stone Arabia, Nov. 15, 1899.

Rev. E. J. Blekkink and the church of Amsterdam Trinity, Nov. 20, 1890.

Rev. E. A. McCullum and the church of Fort Plain, Dec. 4, 1899.

Rev. J. G. Gebbard and the church of Herkimer, Jan. 31, 1900.

Rev. J. A. DeBaun and the church of Fonda and P. Emeritus, May 1, 1900.

Dismissed.

Rev. C. W. Kinney, to the Presbytery of Otsego, May 22, 1899.

Rev. F. A. Force, to the Classis of Westchester, Julr 10, 1899.

Rev. C. L. Palmer, to the Classis of Ulster, Nov. 15, 1899.

Rev. E. J. Blekkink, to the Classis of Michigan, Nov. 20, 1899.

Rev. E. A. McCullum to the Classis of Poughkeepsie, Dec. 5, 1899.

Rev. Chas. Maar, to the Classis of Hudson, Jan. 13, 1900.

Rev. John G. Gebhard, to the Classis of Westchester, April 5, 1900.

Died.

Rev. D. Lord at Jordanville, Sept 10 1899.

Rev. Philip Furbeck at St. Johnsville, July 23, 1899.

Classis of Rensselaer.

Received,

The Candidate John P. Faber, from the Classis of Westchester, Oct. 3, 1899.

Ordained and Installed.

Rev. John P. Faber, over the church of Stuyvesant Falls, Oct. 9, 1899.

Pastoral Relational Dissolved.

Between Rev. Lester Leggett to the Classis of Albany, April 17, 1900.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Received.

Rev. John Hoffman, from the North Classis of Long Island, Jan. 16, 1900.

Rev. Wm. H. Bruins, from the Classis of Grand River, Feb. 1, 1900.

Installed.

Rev. G. Flikkema, over the church of Palmyra, Oct. 17, 1899.

Rev. S. M. Hogenboom, over the church of Ontario, Nov. 14, 1899.

Rev. John Hoffman, over the church of First Cleveland, O., Feb. 25, 1900.

Rev. Wm. H. Bruins, over the church of Marion, Feb. 1, 1900.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. G. Flikkema and the church of Palmyra and Ontario, Aug. 1, 1899.

Between Rev. A. H. Strabbing and the church of Marion, Oct. 17, 1899.

Between Rev. S. M. Hogenboom and the church of First Cleveland, O., Oct. 17, 1899.

Dismissed.

Rev. A. H. Strabbing to the Classis of Holland, Oct. 17, 1899.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Received.

Rev. Sam. D. Miller, from the Hudson River Association of Congregational churches

Rev. Jas. P. Viele, from the Emporia Presbytery of the Presbyterian church.

Installed.

Rev. S. D. Miller, over the church of Easton, July 18, 1899.

Rev. Jas. P. Viele, over the church of Bacon Hill, Nov. 16, 1899.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. Chas. S. Wychoff and the church of West Troy South.

Between Rev. C. B. F. Pease and the church of West Troy North.

Between Rev. J. C. Forbes and the church of Gransevoort.

Dismissed.

Rev. Chas. S. Wychoff to the South Classis of Long Island.

Rev. C. B. F. Pease to the Congregational church.

Rev. J. C. Forbes to the Classis of Orange.

Died.

Rev. Geo. E. Macardel.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Installed.

Rev. Robert Rogers, over the First church of Glenville, May 10, 1899.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. A. C. Sewall, D. D., and the First church of Schenectady, July 24, 1899.

Deposed.

Thomas C. Johnston, April 17, 1900.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. John H. Scarlet and the church of Gilboa, Jan. 31, 1900.

Between Rev. J. Jongeneel and the churches of Central Bridge and Howes Cave, April 18, 1900.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Received.

Rev. C. L. Palmer, from the Classis of Montgomery, Nov. 20. 1899.

Rev. D. T. Harris, from the Classis of Orange, Nov. 20, 1899.

Installed.

Rev. C. L. Palmer, over the churches of Shandakan and Shokan, Nov. 29, 1899.

Rev. D. T. Harris, over the church of Esopus, Dec. 12, 1899.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved.

Between Rev. Wm. Barton and the church of Port Ewen, April 1, 1900.

ARTICLE IX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The Rev. Herman Vanderwart, presented the work of the Board of Domestic Missions, on the evening of the first day.

The Rev. Albertus Pieters, represented the Board of Foreign Missions, on the evening of the second day.

The Rev. John G. Gebhard, Secretary of the Board of Education, presented the cause of that Board on Tuesday afternoon.

ARTICLE X.

DELEGATES TO GENERAL SYNOD.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following nominations by the Classes. They were confirmed.

Classis of Albany.

Pramarie.	*Secundi.*
MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. E. P. Johnson, D. D.,	Rev. E. G. Selden, D. D.,
" C. W. Burrows,	" T. A. Beekman,
" W. H. Nasholds,	" H. Lockwood.
ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Charles Brooksby,	W. L. M. Phelps,
B. T. E. Bronk,	Leonard Litchfield,
Charles Witbeck,	J. F. VanSchaick.

Classis of Greene.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. W. D. Ward,	Rev. E. T. F. Randolph,
" Eugene Hill,	" S. T. Clifton, Ph. D.
" F. S. Barnum,	" W. H. S. Demarest.
ELDERS.	ELDERS.
D. W. Hummel.	C. A. Vedder.
George VanSchack,	A. G. Case,
S. H. VanDyck,	J. D, Ahreet.

Classis of Montgomery.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. Wm. A. Wurts,	Rev. J. A. Rodger,
" Philip H. Cole,	" E. W. Florence,
" J. VanBurk,	" R. A. Pearse,
" Wm. Schmitz,	" O. J. Hogan,
" C. G. Mallery,	" J. A. Thomson,
" E. J. Meeker,	" P. L. Beekman.
ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Taylor Collins,	M. A. Spafford,
E. B. Mitchell,	G. H. Peterson,
Robt. VanAlstyne,	Ernst Schlieder,
David Snell,	Alvin Saltsman,
Howard Vosburg,	Henry Wagner, Jr.,
Davis Casler,	Harvey Gramps.

Classis of Rensselaer.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. John B. Drury, D. D.,	Rev. M. A. Denman,
" D. H. Chrestensen,	" P. T. Phelps,
" E. E. Thomas,	" C. V. W. Bedford.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Jerome Brown,	J. W. Darrow,
Anthony H. Sharp,	F. H. Snyder,
Wm. J. Masten,	Clarence Kittle.

Classis of Rochester.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. S. Hogenboom,	Rev. E. B. VanArsdale,
" P. G. M. Bahler,	" C. F. Porter.
" Geo. C. Dangermond,	" Wm. H. Bruins.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Peter Kooman,	Isaac Clicquinnoi,
Frederick Strong,	E. M. Knight,
Albert Neckers, Sr.,	W. J. Traphagen.

Classis of Saratoga,

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. H. A. Freer,	Rev. H. C. Ficken,
" F. C. Scoville,	" O. H. Walser,
" U. S. Schaul,	" J. H. Brandow.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
H. M. Sweet,	S. D. Fonda.
John Hilton,	G. C. Kingsley,
O. D. Towne,	S. B. Thompson.

Classis of Schenectady.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. Robert J. Hogan,	Rev. Gee. E. Talmage,
" A. B. Herman,	" Alexander Hill,
" C. A. Conant,	" John C. Knox.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Robert Bowden,	W. T. Clute, M. D.,
W. J. Barclay,	James VanEpps,
Welton Stanford,	Myndert Pangburn.

Classis of Schoharie.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. Isaac Messler,	Rev. John H. Scarlet,
" Charles M. Dixon,	" J. Collings Caton,
" John S. Lott,	" D. K. VanDoren.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
J. W. Empie,	H. O. Lewis,
A. L. Baker,	Charles M. Throop,
S. K. Campbell,	F. L. Caspar.

Classis of Ulster.

MINISTERS.	MINISTERS.
Rev. S. W. Roe,	Rev. W. A. Shaw,
" Clearfield Park,	" C. VanStantvoord,
" J. VanDerMeulen,	" C. Case.

ELDERS.	ELDERS.
Geo. Frances,	A. S. Hammond,
A. D. Rose,	P. M. Gillespie,
H. W. DuBois,	P. H. Hudler.

ARTICLE XI.

PARTICULARIA.

The hours of meeting were fixed as follows: From 9 to 11:45 a. m., from 2 to 5 p. m., and from 7:30 p. m. until such hour as Synod may adjourn.

On the evening of the second day the Rev. E. G. Selden, D. D., delivered an address on, "The Coming Kingdom."

The privileges of the floor were granted to the

following Brethren: Rev's. Philip T. Phelps, Albertus Pieters, John G. Gebhard, H. Vanderwart, A. W. Wolsey, and Dr. McCartney.

The first half hour of the second day was spent in devotional service, led by the Rev. Henry Smith.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have printed, and to distribute among the Classes the usual number of copies of the Minutes.

The Following committee was appointed to revise the Rules, and report at the next meeting: Rev's. C. P. Ditmars, J. VanWestenburg and E. A. Collier, D. D.

Resolved, That that this Synod gives a hearty vote of thanks to the pastor, consistory, congregation, and choir of the Reformed Church of Chatham, for their generous, free and kind hospitality in the care of the Synod.

ARTICLE XII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The minutes were read and approved. The roll was called, and all who were not excused were found present.

ARTICLE XIII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the Reformed Church of Cobleskill on the first Tuesday in May 1901, at such hour as the Stated Clerk may determine.

The exercises closed with the Benediction.

EDWARD G. SELDON,
President.
MARK A. DENMAN,
Vice-President.

J. VANWESTENBURG, }
C. W. CLOWE, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy of the minutes.

C. P. DITMARS, *Stated Clerk.*

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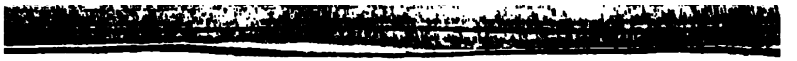
1870.	Rev.	John A. DeBaun, D. D., W. Troy, (North)
1871.	"	S. J. Rogers, Kinderhook.
1872.	"	R. W. Clark, D. D., Canajoharie.
1873.	"	J. C. F. Hoes, D. D., Cohoes.
1874.	"	Isaac S. Hartley, D. D., 1st Kingston.
1875.	"	Martin L. Berger, Syracuse.
1876.	"	J. B. Thompson, D. D., W. Troy (South)
1877.	"	Alex. M. Mann, D. D., Farmer Village.
1878.	"	J. Lansing Pearse, 1st Schenectady.
1879.	"	Edw. A. Collier. Chatham Village.
1880.	"	George J. Van Neste, Fonda.
1881.	"	John B. Drury, D. D., Saugerties.
1882.	"	Selah W. Strong, Catskill.
1883.	"	Evert Van Slyke, D. D., Schoharie.
1884.	"	Peter E. Kipp, Kingston.
1885.	"	Andrew J. Hagaman, Fort Plain.
1886.	"	James Demarest, Jr., D. D., Herkimer.
1887.	"	Henry M. Voorhees, Schohare.
1888.	"	John G. Smart, Greenwich.
1889.	"	Henry M. Cox, Kinderhook.
1890.	"	Denis Wortman, D. D., 2d Schenectady.
1891.	"	F. S. Barnum, 2d Coxsackie.
1892.	"	Philip Furbeck, Schoharie.
1893.	"	Philip Phelps, D. D., Canajoharie.
1894.	"	John G. Van Slyke, D. D., 1st Albany.
1895.	"	Bergen B. Staats, Saugerties.
1896.	"	Philip T. Phelps, 2d Rochester.
1897.	"	Philip H. Cole, Athens.
1898.	"	D. K. Van Doren, Cohoes.
1899.	"	George Edwin Talmage, Fonda.
1900.	"	E. G. Selden, D. D., Chatham.